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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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1 [IN OPEN SESSION, CLOSED SESSION ITEMS CS-1, CS-2 AND CS-3
2 WERE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 12, 2016, ON PAGE 257]

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6 [GAVEL.]

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE, AND WELCOME
9 TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' JULY 5, 2016
10 MEETING. WE WILL NOW COME TO ORDER. THIS AFTERNOON, THE
11 INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY FATHER TONY MARTI, CAPUCHIN
12 FRANCISCAN FRIARS, PRESIDENT, ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL IN LA CA
13 ADA, AND THE PLEDGE WILL BE LED BY TALISE TATE, FORMER
14 SERGEANT, UNITED STATES ARMY, SAN PEDRO. PLEASE STAND,
15 EVERYONE.

16

17 **FR. TONY MARTI:** THANK YOU. LET US PRAY. CREATOR OF ALL,
18 GOVERNMENT SERVICE IS A PUBLIC TRUST AND A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY
19 TO EXERCISE EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP SO GOVERNMENT LEADERS CAN
20 TAKE CARE OF THE NEEDS OF OUR CITIZENS AND ESPECIALLY OF THOSE
21 WHO LACK BASIC NECESSITIES. THOSE WHO ARE IN PUBLIC SERVICE
22 ARE CALLED TO BE SELFLESS AND TO PUT THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE
23 THEY SERVE ABOVE THEIR OWN AMBITIONS AND PERSONAL PRIORITIES.
24 OUR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN SOCIETY AND ARE
25 COMMITTED TO THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF INTEGRITY TO RESPECT THE



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1 LAWS, TO ADHERE TO ETHICAL PRINCIPLES ABOVE PRIVATE GAINS, AND
2 TO LIVE OUT GOOD MORAL VALUES. AS OUR COUNTY BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS MEETS THIS AFTERNOON, WE PRAY THAT THE DECISIONS
4 THEY WILL MAKE WILL PROMOTE THE COMMON GOOD AND USE THE
5 RESOURCES AVAILABLE WISELY. MAY THE BOARD MEMBERS BE GOOD
6 LISTENERS DURING THE DELIBERATIONS AND IMPARTIAL IN THEIR
7 DECISIONS. MAY THEY BE FILLED WITH WISDOM AND OPEN-MINDED SO
8 THEY CAN CONSIDER SUGGESTIONS AND OPTIONS PRESENTED TO THEM.
9 AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND THE SACRIFICES
10 THEY MAKE. WE PRAY ALL THIS IN YOUR PRECIOUS NAME, AMEN.

11

12 **TALISE TATE:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER
13 YOUR HEART. IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU'RE WELCOME TO RENDER A
14 HAND SALUTE. AND PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
15 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THEN
18 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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20 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** IT WAS A REAL PLEASURE TO HAVE FATHER
21 TONY TO LEAD US IN PRAYER THIS MORNING. HE HAS A VERY
22 INTERESTING BACKGROUND, AND HE'S HEAD OF ONE OF THE GREAT
23 HIGHER EDUCATIONAL SCHOOLS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ST. FRANCIS
24 HIGH SCHOOL. HE SERVED IN THE MILITARY, FATHER, ONE DAUGHTER,
25 GRANDCHILDREN, AND THEN HE ENTERED THE FRANCISCAN ORDER AS A



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1 POSTULANT IN 1989, SERVED AT THE SAN LORENZO SEMINARY IN THE
2 SANTA YNEZ VALLEY. AFTER COMPLETING HIS INITIAL FORMATION, HE
3 MOVED TO ST. CONRAD FRIARY IN BERKELEY TO BEGIN HIS
4 THEOLOGICAL STUDIES UNTIL HE WAS ORDAINED AS A PRIEST IN 1996
5 ON JANUARY 8TH. SUBSEQUENT TO THAT, HE SERVED AS ASSOCIATE
6 PASTOR AT THE ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI PARISH IN WATTS AND
7 LATER AS THE VOCATIONAL DIRECTOR FOR THE WESTERN AMERICAN
8 PROVINCE UNTIL HE WAS ELECTED AS THE PROVINCIAL MINISTER IN
9 2002. HE'S NOW IN HIS EIGHTH YEAR AS THE PRESIDENT OF ST.
10 FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL, RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF ONE
11 OF THE TOP COLLEGE PREPARATORY -- PREP SCHOOLS IN THE LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY AREA. HE ALSO SERVES AS THE HEAD AND C.E.O. OF
13 THE CORPORATION. FATHER TONY MOST ENJOYS HIS DUTIES AS A
14 PARISH PRIEST, HELPING YOUNG MEN, WORKING WITH PARENTS,
15 VISITING THE SICK, PRESIDING OVER WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS,
16 FUNERALS, HEARING CONFESSIONS, AND CELEBRATING MASS, BUT HE
17 WAS ALSO AN INTERNATIONAL BANKER PRIOR TO ENTERING THE LORD
18 JESUS CHRIST'S CARRYING OUT THE GREAT COMMISSION AS WE ARE
19 BAPTIZED TO DO. BUT WE APPRECIATE THE KIDS AT ST. FRANCIS IN
20 THE COMMUNITY, IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY,
21 LOOK UPON HIM AS A ROLE MODEL, AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE HIM
22 COMING DOWN TO LEAD US IN PRAYER THIS MORNING. SO, FATHER?
23 [APPLAUSE.]
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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
2 IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME AND THANK, THIS IS TALISE TATE,
3 FORMER SERGEANT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY SERVING FROM 2001 TO
4 2006. SHE CURRENTLY LIVES IN SAN PEDRO. SHE IS A RECIPIENT OF
5 NUMEROUS AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS FOR HER SERVICE, INCLUDING
6 THE ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE
7 MEDAL, AND THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM MEDAL. SHE'S ALSO AN
8 L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEE WORKING IN ONE OF THE VETERANS PROGRAMS
9 WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. SO ON BEHALF OF
10 THE BOARD AND MY COLLEAGUES AND CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY, WE
11 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR NOT ONLY LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF
12 ALLEGIANCE TODAY, BUT THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR
13 COUNTRY. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISORS, WITH THAT, WE'LL HAVE
16 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALL THE AGENDA FOR TODAY.

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18 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR AND
19 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3,
20 POLICY MATTERS. ON ITEM P-1, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR
21 DISCUSSION ALONG WITH THE RELATED HEARING ITEMS 1-P AND 39.
22 THEY WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER. ON ITEM P-2, COUNTY COUNSEL
23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE. ON
24 PAGE 4, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF
25 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ON ITEM 1-D, THIS ITEM



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1 RELATES TO AGENDA ITEM NO. 7, AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE
3 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ON ITEM 1-H, A MEMBER OF THE
4 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR
5 THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ON
6 ITEM 1-P, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING ALONG WITH THE
7 RELATED ITEMS P-1 AND 39. ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
8 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8, ON ITEM NO. 1, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
9 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON NUMBER 2, A MEMBER OF THE
10 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3,
11 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS TO BE RECORDED AS A NO, AND
12 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
13 ITEM NO. 4, SUPERVISORS KNABE AND KUEHL REQUEST TO BE RECORDED
14 AS A NO, AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
15 HELD. ON ITEMS 5 AND 6, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED
16 THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 7 AND 8, MEMBERS OF THE
17 PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 10,
18 CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 9 THROUGH 37, ON ITEM NO. 9, A MEMBER
19 OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD, ON ITEM
20 NO. 11, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
21 HELD, ON ITEM NO. 13, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
22 THIS ITEM BE HELD, ON ITEM NO. 15, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A
23 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD, ON ITEM
24 16 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
25 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 12, 2016, ON ITEMS 17 AND 18, THE



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1 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE
2 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JULY 19, 2016, ON ITEM 21, A MEMBER OF
3 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD, ON ITEM 22, A
4 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD, ON ITEMS
5 25 AND 26, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE
6 ITEMS BE HELD, ON ITEM NO. 28, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
7 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST 9, 2016, ON
8 ITEM NO. 29, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
9 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 12, 2016, ON ITEM NO. 33, A MEMBER
10 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING
11 ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU. THAT LAST ONE
12 WAS 33.

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14 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO WANTED TO HOLD ITEM 4.

15
16 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** NO. 4, OKAY.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THESE ITEMS
19 ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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21 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 22, ORDINANCE FOR
22 INTRODUCTION, ON ITEM 38, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
23 INTRODUCTION TO AMEND THE PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE
24 FRANCHISE GRANTED TO VINTAGE PETROLEUM, INC. TO REFLECT A



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1 TRANSFER OF THE FRANCHISE RIGHTS TO CALIFORNIA RESOURCES
2 PETROLEUM CORPORATION. THIS MATTER IS BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
5 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

6

7 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** PUBLIC HEARING. ITEM 39 WILL BE
8 HELD FOR PUBLIC HEARING ALONG WITH RELATED AGENDA ITEMS P-1
9 AND 1-P. ON PAGE 23, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
10 WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING
11 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ON ITEM 40-A,
12 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
13 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD, ON ITEM 40-B, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND A
14 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD, ON ITEM
15 40-C, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY MYSELF AND
18 SECONDED BY KUEHL, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

19

20 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM 40-D, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
23 KUEHL, SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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1 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
2 THAT ITEM C.S.-1 BE HELD. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
3 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
4 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2, AND PRESENTATIONS BEGIN WITH THE
5 CHAIR'S PRESENTATION TO THE CROATIAN CONSUL GENERAL.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE
8 PUBLIC. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INVITE THE NEW CONSUL GENERAL FOR
9 CROATIA TO LOS ANGELES, DR. SINISA GRGIC TO COME FORWARD.
10 THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. PLEASE GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.
11 [APPLAUSE.] MR. GRGIC WAS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF
12 CROATIA TO THE POST OF CONSUL GENERAL OF CROATIA IN LOS
13 ANGELES. PRIOR TO HIS DIPLOMATIC SERVICE, HE WAS MANAGING
14 DIRECTOR OF A DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT COMPANY IN
15 GERMANY. BEFORE THAT HE WAS FOUNDER AND C.E.O. OF CROATIA'S
16 FIRST CREDIT REPORTING AGENCY, WHICH HE SUBSEQUENTLY SOLD TO
17 DUNN AND BRADSTREET. HE HAS TWO BACHELOR'S DEGREES IN
18 ENGINEERING AND HAS COMPLETED SEVERAL PROGRAMS RELATED TO THE
19 UNITED NATIONS AT COLUMBIA, FORDHAM AND PRINCETON, AND HE
20 RECEIVED HIS PH.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB IN THE FIELD
21 OF SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS. HE IS ALSO A GRADUATE, PROUD
22 GRADUATE, OF HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL. HE'S APPLIED HIS
23 EDUCATION AND PRACTICAL SKILLS AS THE FOUNDER OF THE CROATIAN
24 COMPETITIVENESS COUNCIL, CROATIAN EXPORTERS, EUROPEAN
25 MOVEMENT, AND CROATIAN JAYCEES. ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY BOARD



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1 OF SUPERVISORS AND THE MORE THAN 10 MILLION PEOPLE AND
2 RESIDENTS THAT WE REPRESENT, WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME HIM TO
3 LOS ANGELES. PLEASE GIVE HIM ANOTHER ROUND. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **HON. SINISA GRGIC:** THANK YOU. THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS,
6 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, FOUR SCORE AND SEVEN YEARS AGO CROATIAN
7 IMMIGRANTS IN SAN PEDRO REVOLUTIONIZED THE ENTIRE FISHING
8 INDUSTRY IN CALIFORNIA AND THE UNITED STATES. AND BY THE WAY,
9 TODAY WE HAVE ONE ISLAND IN CROATIA, VIS ISLAND, WHERE THOSE
10 PEOPLE THAT LIVE TODAY IN SAN PEDRO CAME FROM AND ONLY 1,000
11 PEOPLE LIVE IN THAT PLACE TODAY. AND 15,000 PEOPLE LIVE IN SAN
12 PEDRO HERE. [APPLAUSE.] EIGHT SCORE AND EIGHT YEARS AGO,
13 CALIFORNIA BECAME A PART OF THE UNITED STATES. AT THAT TIME,
14 THOUSANDS OF CROATIANS WERE INVOLVED IN THE GOLD RUSH.
15 ACCORDING TO THE AVAILABLE RESEARCH OF THE ETHNOLOGIST MR.
16 ADAM ETEROVICH, THE MAJORITY OF GOLD RUSH PIONEERS CAME FROM
17 DALMATIA, ISTRIA, HERCEGOVINA, AND BAY OF KOTOR, ALL PARTS OF
18 ANCIENT CROATIAN KINGDOM. EXACTLY 12 SCORE AND 0 YEARS AGO, A
19 NEW NATION CONCEIVED IN LIBERTY WAS BORN ON THIS CONTINENT.
20 SINCE ITS BEGINNING, CROATIAN SHIPS UNDER THEIR OWN FLAG OF
21 LIBERTY FROM THE CITY OF DUBROVNIK APPEARED IN AMERICAN
22 ATLANTIC PORTS AS THE AMERICANS AGREED TO ALLOW SHIPS FROM
23 DUBROVNIK FREE PASSAGE. WE ARE PROUD OF CROATIAN ORIGIN AND
24 HAVE TO BE PROUD OF CROATIAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS WONDERFUL
25 COUNTRY, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



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1

2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PUBLIC, THE

3 SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION SOME OF YOU MAY BE FAMILIAR WITH. FOR

4 INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS, THIS COMMISSION WAS ESTABLISHED BY

5 THE BOARD OF LOS ANGELES IN 1959. THE MISSION OF THE

6 COMMISSION IS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIVES FOR THOSE

7 INCARCERATED AND/OR LIVING UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION OR

8 ASSIGNED TO A GROUP-HOME ENVIRONMENT. TO THIS END, THE

9 COMMISSION ESTABLISHED THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR

10 INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS, SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN 2007 TO

11 ASSIST HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES WHO ASPIRE TO PURSUE HIGHER

12 EDUCATION IN A COLLEGIATE CLASSROOM. THE COMMISSION HAS SINCE

13 AWARDED APPROXIMATELY 27 SCHOLARSHIPS TO YOUNG DESERVING MEN

14 AND WOMEN WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED NOTEWORTHINESS IN EDUCATION

15 AND PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT. THIS YEAR, THE COMMISSION IS

16 AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS TO 7 RECIPIENTS, AND I'D LIKE TO BRIEFLY

17 SPEAK ABOUT THEM. NICHOLAS OLIVERAS. NICHOLAS, RIGHT HERE,

18 JUST RAISE YOUR HAND. GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.

19 OUTSTANDING. NICHOLAS PLANS TO ATTEND LOS ANGELES PIERCE

20 COLLEGE IN THE FALL THIS YEAR AND PLANS TO MAJOR IN

21 MATHEMATICS AND A MINOR IN MUSIC. WOW, EXCELLENT. RAYMOND

22 MOCH. RAYMOND? ALL RIGHT. LET'S HEAR IT FOR RAYMOND.

23 [APPLAUSE.] RAYMOND PLANS ON ATTENDING LOS ANGELES TRADE TECH

24 IN THE FALL AND ASPIRES TO BECOME A SUCCESSFUL ELECTRICIAN

25 AFTER OBTAINING HIS ASSOCIATE'S OF SCIENCE DEGREE. [APPLAUSE.]



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1 SARAH YVETTE COLORADO GRADUATED FROM MARSHALL FUNDAMENTAL
2 SECONDARY SCHOOL IN MAY THIS YEAR AND PLANS TO ENROLL AT LOS
3 ANGELES CITY COLLEGE IN THE FALL TO PURSUE AN ASSOCIATE OF
4 SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING. WOW. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] SONYA
5 REYNOLDS GRADUATED FROM PERSHING HIGH SCHOOL IN MAY WITH THE
6 CUMULATIVE G.P.A. OF 3.0 AND PLANS TO ATTEND LOS ANGELES TRADE
7 TECH COLLEGE IN THE FALL. SHE PLANS ON OBTAINING OUR
8 ASSOCIATES OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK AND THEN
9 TRANSFERRING TO A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE TO PURSUE A BACHELOR'S
10 DEGREE IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT. WOW. [APPLAUSE.] THERE WERE TWO
11 OTHER HONOREES THAT WERE GIVEN THIS AWARD BUT WERE NOT ABLE TO
12 JOIN US TODAY, BUT ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS, WE WISH TO CONGRATULATE ALL OF YOU AND KNOW THAT
14 YOU WILL LEAD US WELL IN YOUR FUTURE. PLEASE, MEMBERS, JOIN
15 US. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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19 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE A
20 KOREAN WAR COMBAT VETERAN, LEE WALKER, IN RECOGNITION OF THE
21 66TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BEGINNINGS OF THE KOREAN WAR. LEE WAS
22 BORN IN SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA, IN 1932. IN 1949, AT THE AGE OF 17,
23 HE JOINED THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HIS FIRST DEPLOYMENT WAS TO
24 ITALY, WHERE HE SERVED IN THE 88TH CAVALRY RECONNAISSANCE
25 TROOP. THEREAFTER, THE KOREAN WAR STARTED. HE VOLUNTEERED FOR



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1 COMBAT DUTY, ASSIGNED TO THE HEAVY MORTAR COMPANY AT 34TH
2 INFANTRY REGIMENT, 24TH INFANTRY DIVISION, STILL ON THE LINE
3 WHEN THE CEASE-FIRE WAS CALLED ON JULY 27, 1953. HE CONTINUED
4 TO SERVE IN KOREA AFTER THE CEASE-FIRE, STATIONED AT THE 38TH
5 PARALLEL, THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN THE NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA.
6 NOW AT THE AGE OF 84, HE'S AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF OUR GREAT
7 AMERICAN LEGION POST 79, AND HE SERVES ON THEIR HONORS DETAIL.
8 HE'S ADMIRER BY HIS FELLOW VETERANS, HONORED RECENTLY AT THE
9 V.A. AWARDS CEREMONY FOR HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF HOURS
10 PERFORMING DIGNIFIED MILITARY FUNERAL SERVICES FOR OUR
11 VETERANS AT THE RIVERSIDE NATIONAL CEMETERY. HIS DEDICATION
12 AND COURAGE, SELFLESSNESS AND HONOR REPRESENT THE GENERATION
13 OF AMERICANS WHO BRAVELY FOUGHT THE KOREAN WAR, WHO BRAVELY
14 VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE IN OUR ARMED FORCES AND ALL 36,000
15 AMERICANS WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FIGHTING FOR THEIR COUNTRY
16 DURING THIS CONFLICT. THROUGH THEIR COURAGE AND SACRIFICE,
17 THEY SECURED THE LIBERTY FOR MILLIONS OF PEOPLE. I KNOW THE
18 PEOPLE IN SOUTH KOREA TODAY ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THAT
19 COMMITMENT, AS I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT WITH THEM AND
20 I'VE ALSO HAD THE VISIT WITH THE PEOPLE IN NORTH KOREA, WHO
21 STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE LIVING UNDER COMMUNISM
22 WITH A BIG LOSS OF FREEDOM. THE SOUTH KOREAN PEOPLE IN THE
23 WORLD OWES THESE VETERANS A TREMENDOUS DEBT OF GRATITUDE. SO,
24 LEE, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. YOU'RE A ROLE
25 MODEL ENCOURAGING ALL, AND WE WANT TO GIVE YOU THIS



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1 PROCLAMATION SIGNED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR
2 SERVICE. GOOD JOB. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **LEE WALKER:** THIS IS ALL NEW TO ME. I WASN'T LOOKING FOR
5 ACCOLADES OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. I JUST WANT TO TELL YOU WHAT
6 I TELL SOME OF THE YOUNGSTERS IN HIGH SCHOOL THAT WHEN THE
7 KOREAN BROKE OUT, THEY SENT A BUNCH OF BOYS OVER TO DO A MAN'S
8 JOB, AND THEY DID IT. AND I WAS JUST PROUD TO SERVE, AND I
9 LOST ONE OF MY BEST BUDDIES OVER THERE. AND IF I HAD TO DO IT
10 OVER AGAIN, I'D DO IT IN A HEARTBEAT. BUT THIS IS FOR ALL OF
11 THE ONES WHO CAN'T MAKE IT BACK, AND GOD BLESS THEM.

12 [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE FLUFFY WHO'S A
15 10-MONTH-OLD COCKER SPANIEL. THIS IS LITTLE FLUFFY. BIG
16 FLUFFY. [APPLAUSE.] YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610 AND LITTLE
17 FLUFFY WILL BRING YOU A LOT OF LOVE. OKAY. ANYBODY? LOOK OVER
18 THERE. YOU GOT A LOT OF FRIENDS OUT THERE, FLUFFY. BOY, THIS
19 IS A BIG FLUFF. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE, CAN
22 YOU PLEASE LISTEN UP TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT?

23

24 **RECORDING:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
25 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
2 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
3 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
4 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
5 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
6 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
7 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
8 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
9 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
10 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
11 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
12 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
13 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
14 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
15 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM
16 UTTERING, WRITING OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
17 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
18 TOWARDS THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER
19 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE
20 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY
21 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
22 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
23 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
24 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR
25 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR



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1 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,
2 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.
3 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEMBERS OF THE
6 PUBLIC. WITH THAT, I WILL CALL UP SPEAKERS WHO HAVE HELD
7 ITEMS: DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ITEM 1 AND 11, ERIC PREVEN, 1-
8 H, 2, 5, 6, 8, 1, 11, 13, 25, 26, 33, ARNOLD SACHS, ITEMS 21,
9 22, C.S.-1. HERMAN HERMAN, 1-D, ITEM 7. AND I HAVE SEVERAL
10 SPEAKERS THAT HAVE HELD ITEM 5 FROM THE ACTON TOWN COUNCIL:
11 KATHLEEN TRINITY, TOM COSTAN, JACQUELINE AYER, KELLY TENO,
12 PAMELA WOLTER ALL HAVE HELD ITEM 5. AND THEN ZOE MUNTANER HELD
13 ITEM 11. OKAY, WITH THAT, PLEASE BEGIN.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE
16 THIRD DISTRICT. AND THANK YOU AT 40-C TODAY FOR PICKING UP THE
17 COSTS OF THE PARKING FOR ALL THE FOLKS WHO CAME DOWN FOR PARKS
18 AND REC. THAT'S VERY, VERY NICE. MAYBE THAT WARNING, THE AUDIO
19 WARNING, COULD BE STOWED PROPERLY UNDERNEATH THE SEAT. IT'S
20 VERY OFFENSIVE, BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T DISRUPT OUR MEETINGS ON A
21 GENERAL BASIS, AND IT JUST GIVES A WEIRD FEELING. IT'S ALMOST
22 CHILLING, BECAUSE YOU SAY YOU'RE SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED. SO,
23 I DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO FEEL LIKE YOU ARE GOING TO REMOVE THEM.
24 YOU'RE NOT, AND THANK YOU FOR THAT. SIR, MA'AM, ITEM 9 IS
25 PHASE TWO OF THE C.C.J.V. \$7 MILLION ROLLOUT OF THE BODY



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1 SCANNERS THAT I'VE DESCRIBED VARIOUSLY BUT MOSTLY AS INSANE.
2 THEY DON'T WORK. THEY TAKE FOREVER. THE PERSON HAS TO SORT OF
3 BE SLID THROUGH, AND IT CAUSES A BIG STAFFING. WE SHOULD BE
4 GETTING CANINES. AS I'VE SAID, MR. ANTONOVICH WOULD BE HELPFUL
5 ARE PUTTING TOGETHER A CANINE FACILITY, BECAUSE WITH DOGS,
6 THEY ARE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY SNIFFERS. NOTHING GETS IN WITH THAT
7 GROUP, AND IT REALLY DOES WORK BETTER. ITEM NO. 25 IS
8 MOTOROLA. NOW, MOTOROLA IS A TRUSTED PARTNER, AN ENGLANDER,
9 KNABE, AND ALLEN CLIENT, WHO ARE PROVIDING SOME WALKIE
10 TALKIES, I BELIEVE, OR SOME RADIOS, BUT THESE ARE THE ONES
11 THAT I BELIEVE MITCH ENGLANDER GAVE AWAY OVER AT THE CITY
12 RECENTLY. SO, WE HAVE TO WATCH THEM VERY, VERY CLOSELY. AND WE
13 ALSO HAVE TO LOOK AT ITEM 26, WHICH IS-- ITEM 26 HAS TO DO
14 WITH A GIFT. WE'RE GETTING A RAM DODGE TRUCK FROM A GROUP, THE
15 ANTELOPE VALLEY SHERIFF BOOSTERS. THIS GROUP IS REGULARLY
16 GIVING. THEY GAVE \$50,000 WORTH OF TASERS A COUPLE YEARS AGO,
17 AS WELL, AND THEY FORGOT TO TELL THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SO
18 I HAD TO HARP ON ABOUT THAT FOR A WHILE. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE
19 TO DO A LITTLE SHOUT-OUT TO MAYOR GARCETTI, WHO IS DOING A
20 GREAT JOB. DO NOT MOVE FORWARD WITH THE 4,400 NEW TASERS AND
21 THE BODYCAM TRUCK. TERRIBLE IDEA. THANK YOU. ITEM NO. 28 IS A
22 LAWSUIT ON YOUR AGENDA WHICH ACTUALLY INVOLVED A TASER. THE
23 TASER DIDN'T OPERATE PROPERLY DURING THAT ONE. BUT
24 NONETHELESS, WE DO NOT WANT TASERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, L.A.
25 CITY WITH ALL THE HOMELESS POPULATION, MENTALLY ILL FOLKS



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1 AROUND. IT'S A VERY, VERY BAD IDEA. ITEM 29, THERE ARE NO
2 TERMS. ITEM 33 IS A LAWSUIT, AND I'M VERY HAPPY THAT WE'RE
3 SETTling IT AND GETTING IT OUT OF THE WAY, BUT IT IS
4 UNFORTUNATELY A LAWSUIT FOR THOSE WHEEL-- IT'S LIKE A WHEEL
5 STOP, A LITTLE ROUND CEMENT THING AT A SHERIFF PLACE. A PERSON
6 WENT RIGHT OVER, GOT HURT BADLY. AND THEN IT CAME OUT THAT IT
7 WAS JOB-ORDER CONTRACTING THAT MAY HAVE BEEN A CONTRIBUTOR,
8 BECAUSE JOB-ORDER CONTRACTING, AS YOU KNOW, IS THE TIME-AND-
9 MATERIALS PROGRAM THAT WE DO USE AND IS EFFECTIVE, BUT DOESN'T
10 IT ELIMINATE SOME OF THE PLANNING? WE JUST SEND A GUY OUT,
11 THEY PUT IT IN, AND THEN SOMEBODY GOES OVER. THEY WILL FIGHT
12 THE LAWSUIT ON SO, MCCAVERTY WILL FIGHT THE LAWSUIT ON THAT
13 ONE, BUT WE NEED TO BE VERY, VERY CAUTIOUS. ITEM NO. 5 IS
14 MAYOR ANTONOVICH IS DOING A GREAT JOB OUT IN ACTON. AS YOU
15 KNOW, FIRST TACO BELL CAME BY AND SAID, HOW ABOUT A DRIVE-
16 THRU? HE SAID, NOPE. THEN PRIMO'S CAME BY. NOW, THEY PUT UP A
17 GOOD BURGER AND THEY'RE LOCALS, AND HE SAID FINE, AND NOW HE'S
18 SAYING NOBODY ELSE GETS A DRIVE-THRU. SO, THAT SEEMS FAIR TO
19 THEM, THE GUYS AT PRIMO'S, THAT IS. AND I WOULD SAY ITEM 15 IS
20 THE MASTER AGREEMENTS THAT YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN ARRANGING FOR A
21 BUNCH OF TREASURED PARTNERS, SAFFO ENVIRONMENTAL, PLACEWORKS.
22 PLACEWORKS CERTAINLY IS GOING TO GET A LOT OF APPLAUSE TODAY.
23 THEY'RE ON THERE THREE DIFFERENT TIMES. THIS IS 25 GROUPS WHO
24 ARE GOING TO GET UP TO \$5 MILLION AUTHORIZATION ONCE YOU
25 APPROVE THAT ITEM. I'VE BEEN ASKING FOR SOME REAL SHARP



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1 ATTENTION ON IT, BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO CLOSE OUT ALL THIS
2 PARKS AND REC WORK TO SMALLER AND OTHER KINDS OF BUSINESS. SO,
3 LET'S BE REAL OPEN TO HEARING FROM FOLKS ON THAT, AND LET'S
4 NOT MOVE TOO QUICKLY, SO EVERYONE GETS A FAIR SHAKE. THANKS.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
7 AND I DID, I HELD THREE ITEMS FOR THIS SPEAKATHON. AND MOSTLY
8 THEY DEAL WITH PROP C, FUNDING, AND TRANSIT. SO, I APPRECIATE
9 YOU GIVING FUNDING TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY ON
10 ITEM 21, BUT ITEM 22, YOU'RE GIVING THE MONEY TO SANTA
11 CLARITA, NOT TO SANTA CLARITA TRANSIT AUTHORITY. AND BY THE
12 WAY, SINCE YOU HAVE THIS PARK STUFF COMING UP, ONE OF THE
13 ITEMS ON YOUR OLD PARKS PROPOSITION WAS DEALING WITH BEACHES.
14 AND DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA THAT IN THE BEACH CITIES SOUTH OF THE
15 AIRPORT, EL SEGUNDO AND MANHATTAN BEACH AND HERMOSA BEACH AND
16 THE TORRANCE AREA, THOSE BEACHES, THEY DON'T HAVE SERVICE FROM
17 METRO ON THE WEEKENDS FOR PUBLIC TO TAKE TRANSIT TO THE
18 BEACHES? AND I THINK THAT'S PRETTY UNFAIR. YOU'RE TAKING MONEY
19 FOR A PARKS PROPOSITION, AND YOU'RE SPENDING IT ON CLEAN
20 BEACHES. AND THE CITY'S INLAND DON'T HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY.
21 PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THOSE CITIES DON'T HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
22 TAKE THE BUS, THE LEAST EXPENSIVE WAY TO GET TO THE BEACH,
23 BECAUSE THERE'S NO BUS SERVICE. METRO DOESN'T PROVIDE BUS
24 SERVICE. THEY USED TO PROVIDE BUS SERVICE FROM THE MARINE
25 AVENUE STATION INTO MANHATTAN BEACH ON THE WEEKENDS. THEY



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1 DON'T DO THAT. AND THEY USED TO PROVIDE BUS STATIONS TO
2 DOCKWEILER BEACH, WHICH IS A STATE BEACH, AND THEY DON'T DO
3 THAT. AND THE ONLY BUS SERVICE THEY PROVIDE, ACTUALLY, IS THE
4 130 THAT GOES TO REDONDA BEACH AND THROUGH HERMOSA BEACH AND
5 THE 232. AND I'M THINKING, WELL, IF YOU CAN COME UP WITH \$2
6 MILLION OUT OF YOUR PERSONAL FUNDING OR FOR SANTA CLARITA AND
7 ANTELOPE VALLEY, I DON'T KNOW WHY, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU CAN'T
8 COME UP WITH \$2 MILLION TO HELP THE PEOPLE GET TO THE BEACHES,
9 OR, HILDA SOLIS, WHY YOU CAN'T HELP YOUR CONSTITUENTS GET TO
10 THE BEACH FROM THE INLAND CITIES. IT'S A \$2.50 TRIP. AND, SO,
11 ESPECIALLY BASED ON THAT ARTICLE YOU HAD IN THE NEWSPAPER --
12 AND I APPRECIATE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS CLARIFYING THAT ARTICLE;
13 HE ELIMINATED THE NEWSPAPER FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
14 BUILDING -- REGARDING THE AUDIT. WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT A
15 LITTLE LATER. AND THEN I ALSO HELD A LITTLE BIT OF PORTER
16 RANCH. AND IT WAS FASCINATING, MR. ANTONOVICH, WHEN YOU MADE
17 THAT MOTION TO STOP THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LAST HOUSING
18 DEVELOPMENT. YOU DIDN'T STOP IT BECAUSE OF THE GAS FACILITY.
19 YOU STOPPED IT FOR THE LEAK. AND IF THERE HADN'T BEEN A LEAK,
20 THERE WOULD BE ANOTHER 150 HOUSES SITTING ON TOP OF THAT GAS
21 TANK. SO, WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT THE CITY DOING THIS AND THE CITY
22 DOING THAT, IT'S REALLY YOU. YOU DIDN'T STOP IT FOR THE GAS
23 TANK; YOU STOPPED IT FOR THE LEAK. AND THAT'S TOO LATE.
24
25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.



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1
2 **HERMAN HERMAN:** WELL, I'M BRINGING OUT THE POINTS THAT MAYBE
3 MOST PEOPLE TAKE FOR GRANTED, WHICH IS THE CRISIS ON
4 HOMELESSNESS. WHILE I WAS UP IN SACRAMENTO, MS. SOLIS, I
5 BROUGHT IT TO THE ATTENTION OF MARK LENO, THE HONORABLE
6 SENATOR THERE, REGARDING A.B.1622, BUT I SEE YOU HAVE NO
7 INTEREST IN REALLY FOCUSING ON MY POINT OF ATTENTION, OF ORDER
8 HERE. SO, THAT'S ONE ASPECT OF WHAT'S FAILING THE COUNTY
9 SYSTEM ON TOP OF THE CITY'S PROBLEM, WHICH IS ANOTHER ENTITY
10 OF LOCAL BAD GOVERNMENT THAT FAILS TO PROTECT ITS CITIZENS,
11 THE HOMELESS. AND THEN, WHEN I GO BACK INTO THE ISSUE ON 1-P,
12 TAX OF 1-1/2 CENTS, NOW, REALLY, 1-1/2 CENTS? IT'S BAD ENOUGH
13 WE HAVE TO SHOP AT THESE 88-CENTS AND 39-CENTS STORES NOWADAYS
14 JUST TO SURVIVE, THE SAME WAY MS. GLORIA MOLINA USED TO GO
15 INTO BOYLE HEIGHTS AND SHOP IN OUR STORES, BECAUSE WE HAVE THE
16 HIGH RATINGS. SO, I'M NOT HERE TO EMBARRASS ANYONE OR
17 HUMILIATE ANYONE, BUT AS YOU WILL HEAR THE PUBLIC OUT THERE,
18 THEY'LL TELL YOU WHAT'S GOING ON. THEY KNOW WHAT THE TROOPER
19 IS TALKING ABOUT WHEN HE COMES TO MEETINGS. I'M NOT RANTING. I
20 ONLY RANT WHEN I GO TO DOWNEY, BECAUSE DOWNEY HAS A PATRIOT
21 NEWSPAPER THAT SOMETIMES BRINGS UP ISSUES THAT TALK ABOUT
22 PEOPLE'S PERSONAL POINT OF VIEWS AND DISCUSSION, SUCH AS
23 JIBBERY TALK. ALL OF YOU HERE HAVE A RIGHT TO JIBBERY TALK.
24 SPEAK THEIR MIND, UNDER THE FIRST AMENDMENT AND THE 14TH
25 AMENDMENT, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT HOW A TAX OF 1-1/2 CENT WILL



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1 IMPACT OUR COMMUNITIES. AND THEN I'M GOING TO GO BACK INTO
2 WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH ITEM 18, THE MAINTENANCE SERVICES THAT
3 CAN BE PERFORMED MORE ECONOMICALLY. WELL, IT CAN BE DONE IF
4 YOU WOULD HIRE PEOPLE WHO COME OUT OF THE JAIL SYSTEM WHO WANT
5 TO WORK, WHO HAVE THE ABILITY TO WORK. SO, IF YOU DON'T PAY
6 ATTENTION TO SUBBING OUT WORK AND PAYING THESE CONTRACTORS
7 THESE RIDICULOUS AMOUNT OF SLUSH-FUND MONEY IN WHATEVER WAY OR
8 MANNER, HOW DO YOU EXPECT TO GET THINGS DONE AROUND HERE? HOW
9 DO YOU EXPECT TO GET THINGS DONE HERE? AS A MATTER OF FACT,
10 THE ISSUE ON INFRASTRUCTURE IS THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IN THE
11 COUNTY AND IN THE CITY. IT IMPACTS OUR PROGRAMMATIC ACCESS,
12 OUR PATH TO TRAVEL, OUR DIRECT TRAVEL FOR MOBILITY ACCESS.
13 THAT'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE MY PET PEEVE. IT'S GOING HANG ON
14 YOUR SHOULDERS TO SHOW THE PUBLIC, SHOW THOSE WHO YOU SAY ARE
15 YOUR CONSTITUENTS THAT YOU'RE ACTUALLY SPENDING MONEY ON
16 INFRASTRUCTURE AND MAKING OUR ROADS SAFE AND UNHARMFUL TO
17 THOSE OF US WHO COMMUTE. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. NEXT SPEAKER.

20

21 **KATHLEEN TRINITY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR SOLIS AND BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS. ANY FURTHER DRIVE-THRUS IN ACTON WOULD
23 NECESSITATE TRAFFIC LIGHTS DUE TO THE INCREASE OF TRAFFIC,
24 ESPECIALLY FREEWAY TRAFFIC. THIS WOULD CAUSE ACTON TO LOSE ITS
25 RURAL DESIGNATION, AND ACTON WOULD BE ON THE WAY TO LOOKING



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1 LIKE EVERY OTHER COMMUNITY DOMINATED BY FREEWAY-SERVING FAST-
2 FOOD RESTAURANTS. THIS IS NOT WHAT THE COMMUNITY WANTS,
3 BECAUSE IT WOULD MEAN THE END TO OUR IDENTITY AS A RURAL
4 COMMUNITY AND OUR QUALITY OF LIFE. WAITING AT CROWDED
5 INTERSECTIONS IS NOT A DESIRABLE DEVELOPMENT. ACTON SHOULD BE
6 APPRECIATED AND PROTECTED AS A BASTION OF THE RURAL WAY OF
7 LIFE THAT LIVES IN PEACE WITH NATURE AND PROVIDES A GET-AWAY
8 FROM THE ENDLESS CONCRETE AND TRAFFIC CONGESTION OF LOS
9 ANGELES. WILL YOU BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LOSS OF THIS RESPITE
10 AND FOR THE EVER-VANISHING NATURAL SETTING IN LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY? PLEASE HELP THOSE OF US WHO RESIDE IN ACTON TO BE THE
12 GOOD STEWARDS OF THE LAND THAT WE WANT TO BE. THANK YOU.

13
14 **TOM COSTAN:** HELLO. MY NAME IS TOM COSTAN. I AM THE PRESIDENT
15 OF THE ACTON TOWN COUNCIL. I JUST WANT TO SAY THE ACTON TOWN
16 COUNCIL SUPPORTS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION TO PRECLUDE
17 FURTHER DRIVE-THRUS IN ACTON. THIS WOULD SUPPLEMENT AND
18 STRENGTHEN THE GENERAL PLAN, WHICH STATES, "MORE RESTRICTIONS,
19 SUCH AS DRIVE-THRUS AND OTHER SUCH REGULATIONS, MAY BE ADOPTED
20 BY THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THEIR COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT."
21 ANY NEW DRIVE-THRUS IN ACTON WOULD ONLY SERVE TO PULL REGIONAL
22 AND COMMUTER CUSTOMERS TO OUR TOWN. WE KNOW THIS, BECAUSE
23 DEVELOPERS HAVE COME TO OUR TOWN COUNCIL, AND THEY'VE STATED
24 THEIR PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING DRIVE-THRUS IS TO PULL THESE
25 PEOPLE OFF THE FREEWAY. THE GENERAL PLAN ALSO PROHIBITS HIGH-



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1 INTENSITY COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN ACTON. DRIVE-THRUS ARE
2 CERTAINLY HIGH-INTENSITY, ESPECIALLY WITH THE INTERSECTIONS
3 WHERE DEVELOPERS ALWAYS WANT TO PUT THESE DRIVE-THRU, AT
4 CROWN VALLEY RIGHT OFF THE 14. ALTADENA C.S.D.S CONTAIN THE
5 FOLLOWING LANGUAGE: "ITEM D, NO CUSTOMER DRIVE-THRU SHALL BE
6 PERMITTED." ACTON ASKS FOR THE SAME PROVISIONS AS ALTADENA.
7 AFTER REQUEST OF THIS BOARD ACTION, THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE
8 WILL BE INSERTED INTO THE ACTON C.S.D., EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:
9 "NO CUSTOMER DRIVE-THRU SHALL BE PERMITTED." THANK YOU VERY
10 MUCH. THE COMMUNITY APPRECIATES YOUR MOTION.

11

12 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
13 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM NO. 1, WITH THE COMMISSION ON
14 H.I.V., AS USUAL, YOU HAVE MY SAME COMPLAINTS. SOME OF THOSE
15 INDIVIDUALS SHOULD NOT BE H.I.V.-POSITIVE OR PROVIDING CARE TO
16 PEOPLE WHO ARE H.I.V.-POSITIVE. ALSO, I AM SURPRISED THAT SOME
17 OF THOSE COMMISSIONERS ARE NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE IN L.A.
18 COUNTY. YOU KNOW, IT KIND OF SURPRISED ME. AND I THOUGHT THAT
19 WOULD HAVE BEEN A REQUIREMENT TO BE ON ONE OF OUR COMMISSIONS,
20 THAT THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE IF THEY CAN VOTE. ON ITEM 4
21 ABOUT THE DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME, I AM IN FAVOR TO GETTING RID
22 OF THAT DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME. AND PERSONALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO
23 KNOW WHAT MY FRIEND, MR. KNABE AND KUEHL ARE OPPOSED TO THAT,
24 BECAUSE I THINK THAT WOULD BE A WAY TO SAVING MONEY, BY NOT
25 DOING. A LOT OF PEOPLE GET MIXED UP WITH THE, YOU KNOW, SAVING



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1 TIME AND SO ON. AND WE ALREADY HAVE TWO OTHER STATES WHO ARE
2 NO LONGER UTILIZING DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME. SO, THAT WILL NOT
3 BE -- AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THEY ARE DOING QUITE WELL. IT
4 HAS ALREADY PASSED THE SENATE, SO IT PROBABLY WILL BE
5 APPROVED. AND ON ITEM 11, I WAS REALLY DISAPPOINTED HOW SLOW
6 THE RESULT WAS ON GETTING RESULTS FOR THE LAST ELECTION. THE
7 DAY OF THE ELECTION ITSELF, IT WAS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO ACCESS
8 THE ONGOING REPORTS, WHICH IS PART OF THE CHARM OF BEING
9 INVOLVED IN AN ELECTION AND SEE THE RESULT COMING, YOU KNOW,
10 WITH ALL THE FRIENDS AND ENEMIES TOGETHER. AND THAT WAS
11 REALLY, REALLY DISAPPOINTING. AND ALSO, TO HAVE THE FINAL
12 READING ON DISTRICT 5 ONLY LIKE TWO DAYS AGO, I THINK THAT'S
13 CONCERNING. AND EVEN WHEN I CONTACTED THE ELECTION, WHAT DO
14 YOU CALL, GROUP, ACTUALLY AT THAT TIME, THEY TOLD ME THEY
15 WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL THE 7TH OF JULY. YOU KNOW, I
16 THINK THAT'S REALLY, YOU KNOW, PUSHING IT. AND, YOU KNOW, I
17 HOPE THAT IN THE FUTURE, WE HAVE QUICKER RESULTS. I'VE SEEN
18 WHEN IT TAKES SO LONG TO GET RESULTS, PEOPLE SOMETIMES LOSE
19 THEIR INCENTIVE AND PASSION FOR WHAT THEY ARE DOING. SO, I
20 THINK FOR EVERYBODY CONCERNED, BETTER RESULTS QUICKER WILL BE
21 OF BENEFIT TO EVERYBODY. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, MA'AM.



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1 **JACQUELINE AYER:** YES. MY NAME IS JACQUELINE AYER. I'M HERE ON
2 BEHALF OF THE ACTON TOWN COUNCIL. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO
3 THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR THIS MOTION. AFTER LAST WEEK,
4 WE AS A COUNCIL WERE BRACING OURSELVES FOR A RENEWAL OF
5 INTEREST IN THE DRIVE-THRU DEVELOPMENTS THAT WE'VE BEEN
6 FACING: CARL'S, JR. WITH A DRIVE-THRU, STARBUCKS WITH A DRIVE-
7 THRU, RITE AID WITH A DRIVE-THRU, TACO BELL WITH A DRIVE-THRU.
8 SO, WE'RE HOPING THAT THIS MOTION WILL PRECLUDE ALL OF THAT
9 ACTIVITY. THERE IS NO REASON -- SO, WE WOULD LIKE THIS MOTION
10 TO BE EFFECTIVE AS OF TODAY. THERE'S NO REASON, OR NOTHING
11 PREVENTING YOUR BOARD FROM PROCEEDING WITH THE MOTION THAT
12 DIRECTS STAFF TO PREPARE AN AMENDMENT TO THE ACTON COMMUNITY
13 STANDARDS DISTRICT, WHICH PRECLUDES DRIVE-THRU DEVELOPMENTS IN
14 ACTON TODAY, EFFECTIVE TODAY. THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL
15 QUALITY ACT, C.E.Q.A., MAKES CLEAR THAT AN AMENDMENT TO THE
16 ACTON C.S.D. TO PROHIBIT DRIVE-THRU DEVELOPMENT IS NOT SUBJECT
17 TO ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, BECAUSE IT IS WHOLLY CONSISTENT WITH
18 THE ADOPTED ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN, WHICH WAS ADOPTED
19 PURSUANT TO A CERTIFIED E.I.R. THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN
20 EXPLICITLY AUTHORIZES RESTRICTIONS ON DRIVE-THRU DEVELOPMENT
21 IN ACTON, AND OF ALL OF THE COMMUNITIES ADDRESSED BY THE
22 ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN, ONLY THE COMMUNITY OF ACTON HAS
23 LANGUAGE IN IT THAT ALLOWS THE BOARD TO RESTRICT DRIVE-THRU
24 DEVELOPMENT. C.E.Q.A. IS VERY CLEAR. PROJECTS SUCH AS AN
25 AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY CODE, WHICH ARE CONSISTENT WITH AN



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1 ADOPTED PLAN, SUCH AS THE A.V. PLAN, ARE NOT SUBJECT TO
2 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **KELLY TENO:** HI, MY NAME IS KELLY TENO, AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE
7 ACTON TOWN COUNCIL. I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE ARE ALL
8 IN AGREEMENT AND THAT I URGE YOU TO HAVE STAFF IMPLEMENT THE
9 AMENDMENT TODAY AND NOT TO -- AND DIRECT THEM JUST NOT TO JUST
10 PURSUE THE AMENDMENT SO THAT IT WON'T TAKE EFFECT AT A LATER
11 DATE. WE WON'T TAKE UP ANY MORE OF YOUR TIME. THANK YOU VERY
12 MUCH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

15

16 **PAM WOLTER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PAM WOLTER, AND I AM A
17 25-YEAR RESIDENT OF ACTON. THANK YOU SO MUCH TO THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS FOR TAKING THE TIME TO HEAR OUR CONCERNS ABOUT OUR
19 ACTON COMMUNITY. AND I DON'T WANT TO TAKE UP A LOT OF TIME,
20 EITHER. I DON'T HAVE ANY PREPARED MINUTES OR ANYTHING TO READ.
21 BUT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION TO HELP
22 US WITH THIS PROBLEM OF FUTURE DRIVE-THRUS. THANK YOU VERY
23 MUCH.

24



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE LANCASTER ONLINE. DIANA
2 BEARD-WILLIAMS. ITEMS C.S.-1, 5 AND 9.

3

4 **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
5 AND L.A. COUNTY MEMBERS AND ESPECIALLY THE ACTON COMMUNITY.
6 I'M GOING TO COMMENT ON 5 PRIMARILY, BUT I ALSO WANT TO ADD
7 SOMETHING THAT WAS SAID BY MR. PREVEN. PLEASE BE CAREFUL WITH
8 YOUR OPENING STATEMENT. YOU NEED TO HAVE YOUR COUNSEL CHECK
9 WITH THE ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, I MEAN, THE
10 ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE DISTRICT THAT PAID JOHN HALL \$40,000
11 FOR AN OPENING STATEMENT MANY YEARS AGO QUITE SIMILAR TO
12 YOURS. YOURS REALLY HINGES ON FREE SPEECH AND DUE PROCESS
13 ISSUES. NOW, IF I WANT TO CRITICIZE SOMEBODY, I'M GOING TO
14 CRITICIZE THEM, AND THAT'S MY FREE SPEECH. YOU CAN'T TELL ME
15 NOT TO. IN TERMS OF THE ACTON RESIDENTS, WHY SHOULD YOUR LIFE
16 BE ANY DIFFERENT THAN MINE? I LIVE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY,
17 WHERE THERE ARE DRIVE-THRUS, WHERE THERE IS GROWTH, WHERE
18 THERE IS DEVELOPMENT. I LIVE IN A COMMUNITY WHERE THINGS
19 CHANGE. IT'S CALLED PROGRESS. IT'S CALLED THE DEVELOPMENT OF
20 BUSINESS. IT'S CALLED ENTREPRENEURIALSHIP. IF WE HAVE ALLOWED
21 ONE DRIVE-THRU TO OPEN, THEN WE SHOULD ALLOW OTHER DRIVE-THRUS
22 TO OPEN, BECAUSE TO ME, IT BECOMES DISCRIMINATORY, IT BECOMES
23 BACK-ROOM DEALING, IT BECOMES "I'M GIVING YOUR BUSINESS AN
24 ADVANTAGE OVER SOMEONE ELSE'S BUSINESS." I HAVE A DOCTORAL
25 DEGREE IN MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP. I KNOW FOR A FACT THAT IT



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1 IS INSANITY TO APPROVE SOMETHING FOR ONE COMPANY THAT ALLOWS
2 THEM TO AUGMENT, SUPPLEMENT, EXPAND THEIR BUSINESS ENTERPRISE
3 AND DENY THE SAME OPPORTUNITY TO SOMEONE ELSE. MANY OF YOU
4 MOVED TO ACTON, AND I REMEMBER TIMES WHEN YOU WOULDN'T EVEN
5 APPROVE A BOND FOR SCHOOL THERE, BECAUSE YOU WERE LOOKING FOR
6 A CERTAIN COMMUNITY. MANY OF US MOVED TO LANCASTER AND
7 PALMDALE FOR THE SAME REASON. WE ARE UPSET ABOUT THE BEING
8 INUNDATED BY WALMARTS. BUT REALITY IS REALITY, AND YOU CANNOT
9 DISCRIMINATE, YOU CANNOT SELECTIVELY PICK AND CHOOSE WHO GETS
10 THE BENEFIT OF EXPANDING THEIR BUSINESS SIMPLY BECAUSE YOU
11 HAVE NICE WORDS LIKE "WE WANT TO PROTECT THE RURALNESS, THE
12 INCLUSIVENESS, THE WARMNESS OF OUR COMMUNITY." IF THAT WAS THE
13 CASE, MICHAEL ANTONOVICH NEEDS TO GET HALF OF THE DAMN
14 WALMARTS HE HAS UP HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY OUT OF TOWN.
15 BUT THE PEOPLE LIKE THE RUNNERS MADE MONEY OFF OF THEM. SO,
16 ACTON, YOU ARE NO DIFFERENT. EMBRACE PROGRESS, OR GO FURTHER
17 OUT AND FIND YOURSELF MORE RURAL AREAS AND HOPE PROGRESS
18 DOESN'T COME KNOCKING ON YOUR DOOR AS PROGRESS HAS COME
19 KNOCKING ON MY DOOR. BUT IT IS DISCRIMINATORY AGAINST
20 BUSINESSES TO ALLOW THEM NOT TO EXPAND AND OTHERS HAVE. THANK
21 YOU.

22

23 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, ON AGENDA ITEM NO.
24 11, THERE ARE NEARLY 20 SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK
25 ON THIS ITEM. THEREFORE, WE'RE RECOMMENDING ONE MINUTE.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I HOPE THAT'S CLEAR TO THE
3 AUDIENCE. WE HAVE ALMOST 20 SPEAKERS ON ITEM 11, AND BECAUSE
4 WE HAVE OVER 90 SPEAKERS ON P-1, WE ARE GOING LIMIT THE TIME
5 TO 1 MINUTE. SO, I'M GOING TO CALL THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THAT
6 HAVE HELD ITEM 11: ZOE MUNTANER, MELISSA MICHELSON, ROHANA
7 BARDEN, GINELIE MENDIETA, RAMON MEJIA. CAN YOU PLEASE START
8 LINING UP? AND MENTION YOUR NAME, AND THEN YOU HAVE A MINUTE
9 TO SPEAK. THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO HAVE AN ORDERLY
10 PROCESS. AND I WOULD JUST REIMIND THE AUDIENCE TO PLEASE HOLD
11 YOUR APPLAUSE AND IF YOU WANT TO RAISE THE ROOF, YOU LIFT YOUR
12 ARMS, AND THAT, WE RECOGNIZE THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GO
13 AHEAD AND STATE YOUR NAME, MA'AM.

14

15 **ZOE MUNTANER:** MI NOMBRE ES ZOE MUNTANER. BUENAS TARDES,
16 SUPERVISORES HILDA SOLIS, SHEILA KUEHL Y EL RESTO DE LOS
17 SUPERVISORES. I PARTICIPATED IN THE TOWN HALL AT THE SANTA
18 MONICA AUDITORIUM FOR DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN THE ARTS. I'M
19 THE FOUNDER OF DIVERSITY MATTERS, A BLOG THAT IS DESIGNED FOR
20 THE CULTURALLY MINDED INDIVIDUAL WHO APPRECIATES DIVERSITY-
21 BASED CONTENT WITH AUTHENTICITY. I'M ALSO THE FOUNDER OF
22 COMPASSIONATE SANTA MONICA, THE PARTNER OF THE CHARTER FOR
23 COMPASSION AND ONLY CITY IN L.A. COUNTY WHO HAS SIGNED THE
24 CHARTER FOR COMPASSION AND NO. 4 IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.
25 I'M ENGAGED IN THE INTERSECTIONALITY OF POLITICS, ARTS,



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1 EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGY, BUSINESS, AND SPIRITUALITY. I SUPPORT
2 THE RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE ARTS COMMISSION FOR THE
3 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR. I'M A VOLUNTEER OF THE YOUNG
4 STORYTELLERS FOUNDATION AND HAVE SEEN THIS MONEY PUT TO USE.
5 AND I AM A CANDIDATE OF THE ARTS COMMISSION FOR SANTA MONICA.
6 I ALSO WANT TO SPEAK ON ITEM 11. AS SOMEONE WHO WAS LAST WEEK
7 WITH DEAN LOGAN. CAN WE SPEAK TO IT?

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO STAY ON SUBJECT,
10 MA'AM. THIS WAS ON THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER. THIS ISN'T ABOUT
11 THE ARTS. YOUR TIME IS UP NOW.

12

13 **ZOE MUNTANER:** I'M SORRY. IT'S MY FIRST TIME. THEY TOLD ME TO
14 COME HERE TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM 5 -- ITEM 8.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELL, THIS IS ITEM 11. SORRY. OKAY.
17 YOU CAN COME BACK AND SIGN UP ON THE OTHER ITEM, OKAY? THANK
18 YOU. OKAY, THE OTHER NAMES THAT I HAD CALLED? ZOE MUNTANER,
19 MELISSA MICHELSON. OH, THAT WAS YOU. OKAY.

20

21 **ZOE MUNTANER:** I'M SIGNED FOR ITEM 11, MA'AM.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I'LL GIVE YOU 30 SECONDS. 30 SECONDS.
24 DON'T WANT IT? OKAY, FINE. MICHELSON, OKAY. ROHANA BARDEN.
25 GINELIE MENDIETA. RAMON MEJIA. THERESA BRADY. SUSAN MONET.



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1 LINDA OKAMURA. RYAN ROSTINE. WILL REGAN. YOU NEED TO COME UP
2 AND SPEAK AS I CALL YOUR NAME. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. AND I'M
3 NOT GOING TO KEEP CALLING YOUR NAME OVER AND OVER AGAIN, SO.
4 WE'VE GOT A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE TODAY, FOLKS. PLEASE HELP US
5 OUT. SIT HERE. YEAH, GO AHEAD AND HAVE A SEAT, SIR. SPEAK INTO
6 THE MIC. THERE YOU GO. STATE YOUR NAME.

7

8 **WILL REGAN:** MY NAME IS WILL REGAN. I'M FROM LOS ANGELES. I'VE
9 BEEN DOWN AND I OBSERVED THE PROCESS AT THE L.A. COUNTY
10 REGISTRAR. I'M AN EIGHT-YEAR STUDENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE, AND
11 IT IS MY BELIEF THAT THIS COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT THEY HAVE IN
12 PLACE IS NOT OPEN-SOURCE, IT'S NOT TRANSPARENT. THERE IS A
13 SYSTEM IN PLACE IN HUMBOLT COUNTY WHICH IS 100-PERCENT
14 TRANSPARENT, AND IT'S COMPLETELY OPEN-SOURCE. ANYBODY CAN
15 AUDIT ANYTHING AT ANY TIME. AND THAT SYSTEM JUST IS NOT IN
16 PLACE IN LOS ANGELES OR ANY OF THE OTHER 57 PLACES IN
17 CALIFORNIA. THAT'S WHY I'M OPPOSING 11. IT'S MAKING AUDITS
18 VERY DIFFICULT IN LOS ANGELES AND OTHER COUNTIES ALL OVER
19 CALIFORNIA. ONE FINAL THING I'D LIKE TO SAY IS THAT HUMBOLDT
20 COUNTY WENT 66 PERCENT TO BERNIE SANDERS. THAT'S THE LARGEST
21 PERCENTAGE IN ALL OF CALIFORNIA. THAT WENT OUT OF THE 58
22 COUNTIES. AND THAT'S JUST TELLING US WHAT'S POSSIBLE WITH AN
23 OPEN-SOURCE..

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR.



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2 **WILL REGAN:** ..SYSTEM THAT PEOPLE HAVE IN PLACE THAT DETERS
3 FRAUD.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ROXANN ROSSI, GREG SPIEGEL, SUZANNE
6 O'KEEFFE, JEANINE ROHN.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, COULD I ASK
9 FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM 40-D? I JUST HAD A COUPLE OF
10 QUESTIONS.. 40-D AS IN DON.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ROXANN ROSSI. OKAY. GO AHEAD, MA'AM.
17 PLEASE HAVE A SEAT AND STATE YOUR NAME.

18

19 **SUZANNE O'KEEFFE:** I'M SUZANNE.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

22

23 **SUZANNE O'KEEFFE:** I'M GOING TO GIVE MY TIME TO LAUREN STEIN.

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1 **LAUREN STEINER:** YES, I THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE CALLED MY NAME,
2 BUT I WAS STILL GOING THROUGH THE METAL DETECTOR.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT'S YOUR NAME, MA'AM?

5

6 **LAUREN STEINER:** LAUREN STEINER. SO, I SHOULD HAVE MAYBE TWO
7 MINUTES?

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

10

11 **LAUREN STEINER:** I HAVE TWO MINUTES? OKAY. SO, UNLIKE THE
12 SECRETARY OF STATE ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM, THE LAVOTE.NET
13 REGISTRATION FORM REQUIRES A TWO-PART PROCESS, AS DOES THE
14 PRINTED REGISTRATION FORM, IF YOU ARE A NO-PARTY PREFERENCE
15 VOTER AND YOU WANT TO VOTE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY. SO,
16 THE POINT THAT I'M GOING TO MAKE IS THAT WE REGISTERED, AND
17 I'M WITH FOR BALLOTS FOR BERNIE. BERNIE SUPPORTERS REGISTERED
18 50,000 PEOPLE ON THE LAST DAY, MAY 23RD. AND IF THEY GOT THEIR
19 SAMPLE BALLOT IN THE MAIL, IT SAID THEY HAD UNTIL MAY 31ST TO
20 REQUEST A VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT. SO, IF YOU ARE A VOTE-BY-MAIL
21 BALLOT AND YOU ARE NO-PARTY PREFERENCE, YOU HAVE TO GET THAT
22 BALLOT, FILL OUT A POSTCARD THAT SAYS YOU WANT TO VOTE IN THE
23 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY, REQUEST WHICH PARTY'S PRIMARY YOU WANT A
24 CROSSOVER BALLOT FOR. YOU HAVE TO SEND THAT IN TO THE
25 REGISTRAR. THEY HAVE TO RECEIVE IT. THEY HAVE TO SEND THAT



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1 BALLOT BACK TO YOU. AND THEN YOU HAVE TO SEND IT TO THEM. AND
2 I AM SAYING THAT IT IS PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO DO THAT
3 BETWEEN MAY 31ST AND JUNE 10TH, WHICH IS WHEN THEY COUNT THE
4 BALLOTS. SO, A WHOLE LOT OF LAST-MINUTE, NO-PARTY-PREFERENCE
5 VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT PEOPLE WERE DISENFRANCHISED, AND THAT IS
6 ONE OF THE THREE REASONS SOMEBODY ELSE, HOLLY MOSHER, WILL BE
7 SPEAKING ABOUT THE WRITE-INS. BUT THAT IS ONE OF THE THREE
8 REASONS THAT WE FEEL THAT THIS ELECTION SHOULD NOT BE
9 CERTIFIED UNTIL THOSE LATE-BREAKING VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS GET
10 TO BE COUNTED. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHO WAS THE WOMAN WHO GAVE YOU HER
13 EXTRA MINUTE? WHAT WAS HER NAME? SHE WALKED AWAY, THE LADY WHO
14 GAVE YOU HER MINUTE, HER NAME?

15

16 **LAUREN STEINER:** MY NAME IS LAUREN STEINER. HI, SHEILA.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH, SO, WHO WAS THE WOMAN THAT GAVE
19 YOU THE EXTRA MINUTE?

20

21 **LAUREN STEINER:** HER NAME WAS ROXANN. AND I JUST WANT TO LET
22 YOU KNOW THAT WHAT WE DID A MONTH AGO --

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ROXANN ROSSI. OKAY. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **LAUREN STEINER:** OH, AM I DONE?

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH. THANK YOU. YOU HAD YOUR TWO
4 MINUTES. YES, MA'AM. GO AHEAD. [APPLAUSE.] RAISE THE ROOF.
5 RAISE THE ROOF. OKAY, LET'S GO. NEXT.

6

7 **SUZANNE O'KEEFFE:** I ALSO AM HERE FOR COUNT OUR VOTES
8 CALIFORNIA, AND WE WERE HERE --

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOUR NAME?

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12 **SUZANNE O'KEEFFE:** MY NAME IS SUZANNE O'KEEFFE. WE'RE HER FOR
13 COUNT OUR VOTES CALIFORNIA. AND JUST AS WE'D EXPECT A FULL
14 INVESTIGATION OF ANY ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER SUCH AS THE
15 DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL, I THINK WE DESERVE A FULL
16 INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THIS ELECTION DISASTER. I THINK
17 IT WAS, AS YOU HEARD IN THE TESTIMONY, MANY, MANY, MANY
18 PROBLEMS. AND WE CAN'T JUST MOVE ALONG. WE HAVE AN
19 INVESTIGATION REQUEST ON THE DATABASE INTEGRITY AND SECURITY.
20 WE HAVE A REQUEST TO INVESTIGATE THE VOTE TABULATION ACCURACY
21 AND INTEGRITY, INCLUDING I KNOW DEBRA BOWEN REQUIRED AN M.T.S.
22 SOFTWARE VALIDATION. WE WANT TO SEE THAT VALIDATION, IF IT WAS
23 DONE, AND IF IT WAS NOT DONE, THAT REQUIREMENT HAS NOT BEEN
24 MET. WE ALSO REQUEST OPENING THIS INVESTIGATION, AT LEAST



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1 OPENING IT BEFORE THE CERTIFICATION, AND THEN WE CAN DETERMINE
2 HOW TO HAVE -- HOW TO GO FORWARD.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE HAVE JEANINE ROHN, ZOE
5 MUNTANER, THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS BE GIVEN BACK A
6 MINUTE, OKAY, AND KAREN HUMPHREYS, TONY VIAN. CAN WE MOVE
7 QUICKLY, PLEASE? SORRY, WE JUST HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE TODAY,
8 WHICH IS GREAT, WHICH IS GOOD, BUT WE WANT TO TRY TO MOVE THE
9 PROCESS ALONG. HI. GO AHEAD AND STATE YOUR NAME.

10

11 **JEANINE ROHN:** MY NAME IS JEANINE ROHN, AND I'M WITH DISTRICT
12 34, CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT. I WROTE YESTERDAY ABOUT I'VE BEEN
13 PART OF -- I WAS HERE AT THE LAST MEETING FOR THE POLL WORKERS
14 AND THE COMPLAINTS ABOUT THEM. BUT I ALSO WENT TO THE
15 REGISTRAR AND WAS WATCHING SOME OF THE BALLOT-COUNTING. AND I
16 WROTE AND SENT AN AFFIDAVIT OF SOMEBODY THAT WENT WITH ME, AS
17 WELL, WHERE WE HAD AN EXPERIENCE, AND I HAVE COPIES. BUT WE
18 HAD AN EXPERIENCE WHERE A SUPERVISOR WAS UNCLEAR ON THE
19 PROTOCOL ON WHETHER TO INCLUDE -- ON WHETHER ONE OF THE
20 CANCELED -- THERE'S A THING WHERE I GUESS THEY CAN CANCEL
21 REGISTERED VOTERS. AND THE SUPERVISOR WAS UNCLEAR. AND TWO
22 DAYS LATER IS WHEN WE FINALLY GOT WORD BACK ABOUT WHAT THE
23 PROTOCOL IS IN L.A. SO, BETWEEN WHAT WE HAVE GOING ON WITH THE
24 POLL WORKERS BEING UNPREPARED, WHICH THERE WAS A LOT OF PEOPLE
25 HERE LAST MEETING, PLUS SOMETHING LIKE THAT --



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. THANK YOU. TIME'S
3 EXPIRED.

4

5 **JEANINE ROHN:** I HAVE AN EMAIL.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, MA'AM IN THE MIDDLE.
8 CAN YOU STATE YOUR NAME, MA'AM?

9

10 **TONI VIAN:** YES. FIRST AND FOREMOST, I WOULD LIKE TO CHIME IN.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOUR NAME?

13

14 **TONI VIAN:** WE WOULD LIKE TO -- OH, TONI VIAN.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

17

18 **TONI VIAN:** WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE CERTIFICATION OF THE VOTE
19 HELD OFF UNTIL A FULL INVESTIGATION IS MADE INTO THE NUMEROUS
20 PROBLEMS WITH THIS ELECTION. I HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH
21 SOMEONE FROM SHEILA KUEHL'S OFFICE PRIOR TO THE ELECTION
22 STATING WHAT I THOUGHT SOME OF THE PROBLEMS MIGHT BE WITH
23 BALLOT SHORTAGES FOR CROSSOVER BALLOTS FOR PROVISIONAL
24 PROBLEMS. THE PERSON WAS VERY HELPFUL, BUT THOSE PROBLEMS
25 HAPPENED ANYWAY, EN MASSE. I MANNED A VOTER HOTLINE, AND THERE



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1 WERE THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE CALLING TO COMPLAIN
2 THAT THEY HAD BEEN TURNED AWAY, THAT THEY HADN'T BEEN GIVEN
3 PROVISIONALS, THAT THEIR NAME WASN'T ON THE ROSTERS, THAT
4 THEIR AFFILIATIONS HAD BEEN CHANGED.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

7

8 **KAREN HUMPHREYS:** I'D LIKE TO GIVE MY MINUTE TO CARLOS
9 MARROQUIN. KAREN HUMPHREYS.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** KAREN HUMPHREYS. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

12

13 **CARLOS MARROQUIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CARLOS MARROQUIN.
14 AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ASK THAT THE
15 COUNTY SUPERVISORS WILL POSTPONE THE CERTIFICATION OF THE
16 ELECTIONS BASED ON SEVERAL ISSUES, ONE OF THEM BEING THAT THE
17 MASS AMOUNT OF REJECTED BALLOTS THAT L.A. COUNTY HAS, AND WE
18 NEED TO GO THROUGH THEM AND MAKE SURE THAT EVERY VOTE IS
19 COUNTED BECAUSE OF THE INTENT OF THEIR VOTE. SECOND, WE ARE
20 ASKING FOR FULL INVESTIGATION AS TO WHO GAVE ORDERS AS TO PUSH
21 THOSE PROVISIONAL BALLOTS, INCLUDING THE SWITCHING TO VOTE-BY-
22 MAIL, NOT REQUESTED BY THE VOTERS BUT SOMEONE HAD MADE THOSE
23 DECISIONS. I THINK BASED ON THOSE ISSUES, WE NEED TO CONSIDER
24 POSTPONING THE CERTIFICATION AT LEAST FOR A FEW DAYS UNTIL WE
25 GET TO THE BOTTOM OF WHO GAVE THOSE ORDERS. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

3

4 **TAIJI MIYAGAWA:** MY NAME IS TAIJI MIYAGAWA, AND I'D LIKE TO
5 CEDE MY TIME TO CARLOS MARROQUIN SO HE CAN CONTINUE.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** FINE.

8

9 **CARLOS MARROQUIN:** THANK YOU. ALSO, EQUALLY IMPORTANT, WE NEED
10 TO FIGURE OUT REGARDING THE VOTES THAT WERE PURGED FROM --
11 EXCUSE ME, THE VOTER REGISTRATIONS THAT WERE PURGED FROM THE
12 SYSTEM. THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE OUT THERE THAT THEIR VOTES
13 WERE NOT COUNTED. THEY WERE REJECTED FROM BEING ABLE TO VOTE.
14 I THINK THAT, AGAIN, THERE IS CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT SOMEONE MADE
15 DECISIONS. AND IN SPITE OF WHAT SOME OF THE ALLEGATIONS OR AT
16 LEAST EXCUSES THAT HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO US, WE THINK THAT IT IS
17 IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW WHO ARE MAKING THOSE DECISIONS. THANK
18 YOU.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** STATE YOUR NAME, MA'AM.

21

22 **ZOE MUNTANER:** MY NAME IS ZOE MUNTANER. AS THE FOUNDER OF
23 DIVERSITY MATTERS AND COMPASSIONATE SANTA MONICA WHO IS AN
24 ACTIVE AND FIERCE ADVOCATE OF VOTERS' RIGHTS AND ACTIVIST FOR
25 DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION, ESPECIALLY IN OUR DEMOCRATIC VOTER



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1 SYSTEM, I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO LISTEN EMPATHETICALLY AND
2 COMPASSIONATELY TO THE ACTIVISTS WHO ARE SPEAKING ON THIS ITEM
3 TODAY. SANTA MONICA CITY MANAGER, RICK COLE, HAS SPOKEN
4 PUBLICLY AND ELOQUENTLY ABOUT LIVING THESE STRESSFUL TIMES.
5 THIS IS NOT A POLITICAL ISSUE. THIS IS A DEMOCRATIC ISSUE.
6 I'VE BEEN COVERING THE PRIMARY ELECTION AS A CITIZEN
7 JOURNALIST AND HAVE BEEN HONORED TO BE A GUEST LAST WEEK
8 UNVEILING OF THE VOTER OF THE FUTURE OF L.A. COUNTY. TO
9 INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION WE NEED TRANSPARENCY. LATINOS
10 NEED AND DEMAND TRANSPARENCY. TRANSPARENCY IS THE BEST
11 INNOVATION WE HAVE. AND WE NEED YOU TO DO YOUR JOB AT LOOKING
12 AT THIS MATTER CLOSELY. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ERIC PREVEN, DEVIN LARSON, KENNY
15 NAGY, AND R.G. WONG. GO AHEAD.

16

17 **ERIC PREVIN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT,
18 AND I WAS HERE A COUPLE WEEKS AGO WHEN ON ITEM 72, A
19 COMPLETELY UNRELATED ITEM, VARIOUS SPEAKERS FROM BERNIE'S
20 MOVEMENT AND OTHERS RAISED UP TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
21 TO DEAN LOGAN THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER THAT THERE HAD BEEN
22 SERIOUS IRREGULARITIES WITH THIS ELECTION. AND IT WAS REALLY
23 WEIRD, BECAUSE IT WAS ALL DONE INTO AN AGENDA ITEM THAT WAS
24 NOT PROPERLY AGENDIZED. SO, THE WHOLE THING HAD THE FEELING OF
25 LIKE LET'S NOT GET THIS ON THE RECORD; LET'S JUST KIND OF DEAL



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1 WITH IT OFF THE RECORD. AND I REALLY FEEL THAT, YOU KNOW, THIS
2 IS SERIOUS STUFF. THIS IS OUR CONSTITUTION MAKES IT SO THAT WE
3 HAVE A FAIR CHANCE IN THESE ELECTIONS. AND, BOY, WHEN YOU
4 LISTEN TO THE COMPELLING TESTIMONY THAT WAS IMPROPERLY
5 DELIVERED IN A WEIRD WINDOW OVER HERE ONE DAY WHEN NOBODY WAS
6 AROUND, IT REALLY BLANCHES THE NATIONAL MUSTACHE AND MAKES YOU
7 WONDER, WHAT ARE WE DOING? DON'T WE WANT A FAIR AND EQUITABLE
8 ELECTION HERE IN AMERICA, HERE IN LOS ANGELES? SO I HOPE THAT
9 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ENCOURAGES MR. LOGAN TO LOOK HARD AT
10 THESE IMPROPRIETIES. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER? RAISE THE ROOF, PLEASE.
13 OKAY. LET'S GO.

14

15 **DEVIN LARSON:** DEVIN LARSON. I'M ACTUALLY FROM CONGRESSIONAL
16 DISTRICT 34 HERE. I'VE BEEN A REGISTERED VOTER SINCE 2014.
17 PERSONALLY, I CONSIDER MYSELF A DEMOCRAT SINCE THE AGE OF 10,
18 ACTUALLY. AND LET ME JUST SAY WHAT HAPPENED JUNE 7TH WAS A
19 TRAVESTY ACTUALLY. AND THE REASON I'M SAYING THAT IS BECAUSE
20 IT TOOK ME OVER 3 HOURS TO VOTE WHEN I WAS THE THIRD PERSON IN
21 LINE AT MY PRECINCT. THIS IS BEYOND UNACCEPTABLE. WE LIVE IN
22 THE 21ST CENTURY. WE HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO PROBLEM SENDING
23 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS AROUND THE WORLD USING BANK TRANSACTIONS,
24 BUT WE CAN'T VOTE ELECTRONICALLY, WE CAN'T REGISTER
25 ELECTRONICALLY. AS A MEANS OF CERTIFYING OUR OWN VOTES, THERE



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1 IS NO GUARANTEED MEANS SHOWING THAT WE ACTUALLY HAD OUR VOTES
2 COUNTED. SO, WE CAN CAST OUR BALLOTS, AND WE STILL DON'T KNOW
3 IF THOSE ACTUALLY COUNTED IN THE FIRST PLACE. THANK YOU VERY
4 MUCH, AND I CEDE THE REST OF MY TIME TO KENNY NAGY.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE 8 SECONDS.

7

8 **KENNY NAGY:** KENNY NAGY. GREETINGS TO ALL OF YOU THAT REPRESENT
9 WE, US THE PEOPLE. YOU ARE US, THE PEOPLE'S, ELECTED
10 OFFICIALS. IT'S THE NOT ABOUT WHAT YOU WANT. IT'S ABOUT WHAT
11 US, WE THE PEOPLE WANT. WE VOTED YOU IN OFFICE, EVERY ONE OF
12 YOU. YOU ALL ARE EITHER WITH US THE PEOPLE OR YOU'RE AGAINST
13 DOING YOUR CIVIC DUTIES TO ENSURE THAT WHAT THE WILL OF THE
14 PEOPLE ASK, WHICH IS SIMPLE: SEEKING A TRANSPARENT ELECTION
15 PROCESS. THAT'S ALL WE ASK. WE THE PEOPLE CAME IN PEACE AND
16 NONVIOLENT ACTIONS BEARING WITNESS AFTER WITNESS ON JUNE 12TH
17 TO YOURS TRULY, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND WE LOOKED AT
18 THIRD-WORLD ELECTION SHENANIGANS HAPPENING THROUGHOUT LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY AND CALIFORNIA, YOU KNOW, VOTER SUPPRESSION,
20 ELECTION FRAUD, SKEWED EXIT POLLS, COLLUSION, CORRUPTION,
21 RICO, YOU NAME IT. AAH! WINNER! THIS ELECTION IS OR WAS
22 RIGGED, OR NOT? OR NOT? LET'S POINT OUT THE TRUTH. WHAT THE
23 HEY. PLEASE DON'T FAIL US IN SEEKING TRUTH AND JUSTICE. PLEASE
24 DO NOT CERTIFY THIS ELECTION YET. THE WHOLE WORLD IS WATCHING.
25 THE WHOLE WORLD IS WATCHING. THE WHOLE WORLD IS WATCHING.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME IS EXPIRED, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]
3 OKAY. WE HAVE R.G. WONG, WAYNE FROM ENCINO, INGE MUELLER,
4 SOFIA QUINONEZ, HOLLY MOSHER.

5

6 **R.G. WONG:** HI. MS. SOLIS, I WOULD LIKE TO CEDE MY TIME TO
7 LAUREN.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

10

11 **R.G. WONG:** R.G. WONG.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. GO AHEAD. OKAY. ONE MINUTE.

14

15 **LAUREN STEINER:** SO, LAUREN STEINER. I WANT TO MENTION ANOTHER
16 THING. LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ON THEIR WEBSITE AND THE REPORTING
17 OF THE RESULTS, DO NOT SHOW HOW MANY WRITE-INS THERE WERE ON
18 ANY OF THESE BALLOTS. VENTURA COUNTY DOES. AND WHEN YOU LOOK
19 ON VENTURA COUNTY, YOU SEE 64 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE WHO WERE
20 REGISTERED IN THE A.I.P. PARTY VOTED WRITE-IN, OKAY? NOW, THE
21 REASON THEY DID THAT, IF YOU READ THE L.A. TIMES INVESTIGATIVE
22 PIECE, 73 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE REGISTERED IN THE AMERICAN
23 INDEPENDENT PARTY THOUGHT THEY WERE REGISTERING AS INDEPENDENT
24 WITH A SMALL I. THEY SHOULD HAVE REGISTERED NO PARTY
25 PREFERENCE. BUT WHEN THEY WERE SURVEYED BY THE L.A. TIMES,



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1 THEY FOUND THAT THEY WERE IN THE WRONG PARTY, A RIGHT-WING
2 PARTY. SO, YOU CAN IMAGINE ALL OF THOSE VOTERS GOING TO THE
3 POLLS, SEEING THAT THEY DIDN'T HAVE A CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT,
4 AND WRITING IN A CANDIDATE. SO, I THINK THAT ANOTHER REASON
5 THE VOTES SHOULD NOT BE CERTIFIED IS UNTIL WE COUNT THESE
6 WRITE-IN BALLOTS FOR A.I.P. PARTY.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

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10 **SOFIA QUINONEZ:** SOPHIA QUINONEZ. WELL, THIS IS HISTORY
11 REPEATING ITSELF, BECAUSE SINCE 2008, WE'VE SEEN ISSUES WITH
12 THE DOUBLE-BUBBLE SCANDAL AND HOW THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER HAS
13 MISSENT TAXPAYER DOLLARS. WE WITNESSED THE FIASCO IN THE
14 PRIMARY, AND NOW WE'VE ALSO WITNESSED THE FIASCO THAT CAME OUT
15 IN THE L.A. TIMES WITH A, QUOTE/UNQUOTE, "NEW SYSTEM" THAT IS
16 NOT OPEN-SOURCE. AND, SO, I THINK WE HAVE TO LOOK AT POSSIBLY
17 FILING A LAWSUIT REGARDING THAT CONTRACT, BECAUSE, YOU KNOW,
18 IT'S APPARENT THAT THE APPEARANCE IS THAT THERE'S FRAUD BEING
19 COMMITTED, BECAUSE THE SYSTEM CAN BE HACKED, JUST BASED ON
20 DEBRA BOWEN'S LAST STUDY. SO, IF WE HAVE A SYSTEM THAT'S
21 COMPROMISED AND YOU HAVE ALL THESE ISSUES, THEN WE HAVE TO
22 CHANGE THE SYSTEM. BUT I URGE YOU NOT TO SUPPORT
23 CERTIFICATION, BECAUSE NOT ONLY ABOUT L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE
24 COUNTIES SUING ALL ACROSS THE STATE, AND THEIR VOTES NEED TO



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1 BE COUNTED. WE WANT OUR N.P.P. VOTES COUNTED. AND SO, THIS IS
2 A BIG--

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

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6 **HOLLY MOSHER:** HI, MY NAME IS HOLLY MOSHER. I'M IN THE 33RD
7 DISTRICT. I'M A PART OF MONEY OUT, VOTERS IN. I SENT YOU ALL A
8 LETTER LAST TUESDAY. I HOPE YOU ALL RECEIVED IT. MY COLLEAGUE
9 JULIE TYLER WITNESSED THAT THEY WERE NOT COUNTING N.P.P. THAT
10 WERE ERRONEOUSLY GIVEN DEMOCRATIC BALLOTS INSTEAD OF CROSSOVER
11 DEMOCRATIC BALLOTS. AND I'M THANKFUL THAT DEAN LOGAN CORRECTED
12 THAT SO THAT THESE THOUSANDS OF BALLOTS WERE COUNTED. HOWEVER,
13 IN THE SAME LINE OF REASONING, WE ASKED THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE
14 IF THEY WOULD THEN BE COUNTING N.P.P. VOTE-BY-MAILS WHO DID
15 NOT HAVE TIME OR DID NOT ASK FOR THE CROSSOVER. ONLY 15
16 PERCENT OF N.P.P. VOTE-BY-MAIL ACTUALLY ASKED FOR A CROSSOVER,
17 SO THAT SHOWS IT WAS A VERY DIFFICULT PROCESS. AND, SO, IF
18 THEY TOOK THE TIME TO WRITE IN A CANDIDATE THAT IS ANY OF THE
19 CROSSOVER CANDIDATES THAT'S VALID, THOSE WRITE-INS SHOULD BE
20 COUNTED BEFORE YOU CERTIFY, BECAUSE VOTER INTENT, AS WE'VE
21 SEEN IN 2008 WITH THE DOUBLE BUBBLE, YOU HERE, THE BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS SAID VOTERS' INTENT SHOULD BE HONORED. THANK YOU.
23 [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YEP. OF COURSE ALL THESE ELECTIONS ARE
2 FRAUDULENT. OF COURSE THEY ARE. SO, YOU'RE GOING TO CERTIFY
3 IT. BUT WHAT YOU HAVE TO LEARN TO DO IS: THEY DON'T LISTEN TO
4 YOU. YOU GO TOO FAR IN THEIR OPINION, THEY HAVE YOU ARRESTED
5 ON FALSE CHARGES, THEY DESTROY YOUR LIFE. REPRESENTATION BY
6 LITIGATION. THAT'S THE AMERICAN PASSWORD. SO, IF YOU WANT
7 SOMETHING DONE, FIND OUT HOW TO SUE THEM PRO PER. SCREW
8 VOTING. YOU CAN GO ON THE WEBSITE. THERE'S A FORM. YOU CAN
9 REMOVE YOUR REGISTRATION FROM THE COUNTY. NO MORE OF THIS JUNK
10 MAIL IN YOUR MAILBOX, BECAUSE ALL OF THESE ELECTIONS ARE A
11 SHAM. IT'S NOT WORTH VOTING. I'M NOT GOING TO VOTE ANYMORE.
12 WHAT I'M GOING TO DO IS, WHEN I HAVE A PROBLEM, I'M NOT GOING
13 TO TAKE IT TO YOU. I'M GOING TO TAKE IT TO COURT. AND THEN
14 THAT WILL BE MY REPRESENTATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DONALD KRONOS, MELANIE MAGRUDER,
17 KENNY NAGY, INGE MUELLER, NOAH NEUMARK. IF YOU'RE HERE, PLEASE
18 COME FORWARD. HAVE A SEAT AND STATE YOUR NAME. YOU HAVE A
19 MINUTE. GO AHEAD, SIR. WE'LL START WITH YOU.

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21 **NOAH NEUMARK:** YEAH, I'D LIKE TO RELINQUISH MY TIME TO SUZANNE
22 O'KEEFFE.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT IS YOUR NAME, SIR?

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1 **NOAH NEUMARK:** NOAH NEUMARK.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUSAN O'KEEFE:** HELLO. I'M SUSAN O'KEEFE AGAIN. THANK YOU,
6 NOAH. TO CONTINUE MY POINTS, I THINK THAT IT'S A VERY
7 IMPORTANT INVESTIGATION THAT NEEDS TO GO ON, AND INDEPENDENT
8 INVESTIGATION, AND INCLUDING THE CONFUSING AND INACCURATE
9 ELECTION PROCESS THAT CAUSED SO MANY PROBLEMS. ANOTHER ONE:
10 GREATLY INADEQUATE TRAINING AND VETTING AND SUPERVISION OF
11 POLL WORKERS, AS WE HEARD ON THE TESTIMONY A FEW WEEKS AGO. AS
12 CARLOS HAD MENTIONED, THE PUSH TO VOTE BY MAIL LOOKS EXTREME.
13 WE WANT TO FIND OUT, GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THAT, AND THE PUSH
14 TO PROVISIONAL BALLOTS ALSO SEEMS EXTREME, AND WE NEED TO GET
15 TO THE BOTTOM OF THAT. AND IF THE RESULTS OF THIS ELECTION
16 INVESTIGATION, INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION, FIND THAT THE VOTE
17 COUNT IS DIFFERENT BY 1 PERCENT, I BELIEVE WE SHOULD DECLARE
18 THE CURRENT RESULTS INVALID AND FRAUDULENT. SO, THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RAISE THE ROOF.

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24 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. I WASN'T SURE WHO WAS NEXT. SURE. WELL, WHERE
25 TO START? VOTER DISENFRANCHISEMENT. I DON'T THINK ANY OF US



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1 ARE FOR IT, YET IT HAPPENS AN AWFUL LOT. ONE OF THE BIGGEST
2 WAYS THAT I SEE THAT PEOPLE ARE BEING CONSTANTLY
3 DISENFRANCHISED IS THEY WANT TO VOTE AGAINST SOMEONE; INSTEAD,
4 THEY'RE FORCED TO CHOOSE BETWEEN NOT VOTING AT ALL AND VOTING
5 FOR SOMEBODY ELSE. IT'S A CHOICE BETWEEN BEING MISREPRESENTED
6 OR NOT BEING REPRESENTED. WHAT WE'VE HAD HAPPEN HERE IN
7 CALIFORNIA IS VERY UNFORTUNATE. WE HAD THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
8 MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT THAT DETERRED A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM
9 VOTING. AND SO, THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT WERE
10 DISENFRANCHISED IN THAT WAY. BUT THEN WE ALSO HAVE A LOT OF
11 PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY DID GET OUT THERE AND VOTE, AND THE
12 PROCESS WAS COMPLICATED. THEY TRIED TO GIVE ME SEVERAL
13 DIFFERENT KINDS OF BALLOTS BEFORE THEY FINALLY GAVE ME THE ONE
14 I ASKED FOR. AND I KNOW A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE WENT THROUGH
15 VERY SIMILAR THINGS. SO, I GUESS MY TIME IS UP, SO I'LL LET IT
16 GO. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

19

20 **MELANIE MAGRUDER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD, AND THANK YOU FOR
21 SPEAKING TO US. I WANTED TO SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT MY SON'S
22 DISENFRANCHISEMENT.

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT IS YOUR NAME, MA'AM?

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1 **MELANIE MAGRUDER:** MELANIE MAGRUDER. IN 2014, MY SON REGISTERED
2 TO VOTE FOR THE FIRST TIME. MY GIFT TO HIM ON HIS 18TH
3 BIRTHDAY WAS A VOTER REGISTRATION CARD. HE FILLED IT OUT. WE
4 FILED IT. HE WENT TO HIS FIRST ELECTION. I INTRODUCED HIM TO
5 THE CLERKS THERE. THEY ALL APPLAUDED. HE WAS EMBARRASSED. HE
6 WENT ON AND VOTED. SECOND ELECTION, SAME THING. HE WENT TO
7 VOTE. AT THE FIRST CLERK'S STATION, HE SIGNED OFF ON THE
8 REGISTER. THE SECOND CLERK'S STATION, HIS ADDRESS WAS LINED
9 OUT, AND HE WAS GIVEN HIS BALLOT AND VOTED. I KNOW THIS IS THE
10 WAY IT GOES, BECAUSE I MYSELF HAVE BEEN A POLL INSPECTOR SINCE
11 2008. WE FOUND OUT THIS YEAR THAT HE HAD BEEN DROPPED FROM THE
12 VOTER ROLLS. I SENT A MESSAGE TO DEAN LOGAN. HE WROTE BACK AND
13 SAID HE HAD NEVER SEEN ANY INDICATION THAT HE WAS EVER
14 REGISTERED. THIS IS NOT TRUE. I KNEW HE WAS REGISTERED,
15 BECAUSE I WOULD HAVE SAID SOMETHING HAD THEY TOLD ME --

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MA'AM. NEXT
18 SPEAKER?

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20 **INGE MUELLER:** HI, MY NAME IS INGE MUELLER, AND I WAS INVOLVED
21 WITH VOTER REGISTRATION AS WELL AS A POLL INSPECTOR AT THE
22 ELECTION. AND I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SOME RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
23 FUTURE VOTING. RELATED TO VOTER REGISTRATION, THIS SHOULD BE
24 AUTOMATIC WHEN PEOPLE TURN 18 AND GET THEIR CALIFORNIA I.D.
25 CARD OR DRIVER'S LICENSE. IT SHOULD NOT BE A SEPARATE PROCESS.



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1 WITH REGARDS TO POLL-WORKER TRAINING, IN-PERSON TRAINING
2 SHOULD BE MANDATORY AND NOT LIKE IT IS RIGHT NOW, OPTIONAL,
3 PARTICULARLY FOR FIRST-TIMERS. AND EXPERIENCED POLL WORKERS
4 SHOULD ALSO HAVE TO UNDERGO AT LEAST THE ONLINE TRAINING,
5 SINCE THINGS CHANGE. AND THEN FIRST-TIMERS SHOULD BE PAIRED
6 WITH EXPERIENCED POLL WORKERS IN EACH PRECINCT. INSPECTOR
7 TRAINING. FIRST-TIMERS SHOULD NOT BE ASSIGNED INSPECTOR DUTY.
8 AT THE VERY LEAST, THEY SHOULD BE PAIRED WITH AN EXPERIENCED
9 INSPECTOR MENTOR. WHILE IN-PERSON TRAINING FOR INSPECTORS IS
10 MANDATORY, IT DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ENFORCED. ALSO, THE ALLOTTED
11 TIME FOR IN-PERSON TRAINING IS INSUFFICIENT AND DOESN'T ALLOW
12 FOR --

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. NEXT SPEAKER?

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16 **ANITRA WETZEL:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ANITRA WETZEL. I AM ALSO
17 GOING TO RELINQUISH MY TIME TO SUZANNE O'KEEFFE.

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19 **SUZANNE O'KEEFFE:** HELLO AGAIN, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU AGAIN.
20 FINALLY, WE HAVE A QUESTION OF -- I KNOW, SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
21 YOU SAID ON JUNE 14TH THAT MAYBE THE COUNTY SHOULD HIRE A
22 WHITE-HAT HACKER TO SEE IF THE SYSTEM CAN BE HACKED INTO.
23 WELL, WE FULLY SUPPORT THIS IDEA, AND, IN FACT, WE HAVE
24 EXPERTS STANDING BY TO EXECUTE THIS IF YOU CHOOSE. AND IN LINE
25 WITH THIS, IN HOPING THAT YOU WILL OPEN A FULL INVESTIGATION,



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1 WE ASK THAT EVERYTHING BE HELD FOR SAFEKEEPING, NOTHING
2 SHREDDDED, SO THAT WE CAN ACTUALLY GET TO THE BOTTOM OF WHAT'S
3 GOING ON AND ENSURE A FAIR AND TRANSPARENT ELECTION FOR US
4 ALL. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE HAD CLAUDIA BLAUSER, KENNY
7 NAGY, MICHAEL JENKINS IN LANCASTER, AND DR. DIANA BEARD-
8 WILLIAMS IN LANCASTER.

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10 **CLAUDIA BLAUSER:** HI. MY NAME IS CLAUDIA BLAUSER, AND I'D LIKE
11 TO GIVE MY TIME TO SUZANNE, PLEASE.

12

13 **SUZANNE O'KEEFFE:** AND I'M JUST GOING TO READ A STATEMENT,
14 BECAUSE I WAS CUT OFF LAST TIME. OKAY, WELL, I WAS A POLL
15 WORKER, AND THE ELECTION WOULD NOT BE -- I'M ASKING THAT THE
16 ELECTION NOT BE CERTIFIED UNTIL ALL ARE COLLECTED AND
17 CERTIFIED. I'M AN ACCOUNTANT AND AUDITOR, AND I MET WITH
18 PHILIP VERBADA AT THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE IN NORWALK. AND HE
19 SAID THAT HE WOULD NOT CERTIFY IT UNTIL IT WAS ALL DONE. AND I
20 FELT VERY COMFORTABLE, BECAUSE HE WAS VERY PLEASANT. THE
21 CERTIFICATION DATE IS JULY 8TH, AND I'M ASKING THAT YOU PLEASE
22 WAIT UNTIL THAT DATE SO THAT MORE AND MORE THE PROVISIONALS
23 CAN BE COUNTED. AND AGAIN I'M GOING TO BRING UP THE ISSUE OF
24 THE DUAL MANUALS AND THE DUAL TRAININGS. I KNOW THAT NO ONE IS
25 REALLY LISTENING TO THAT, JUST LIKE YOU GUYS ARE NOT LISTENING



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1 RIGHT NOW, SOME OF YOU. BUT I HAVE EVIDENCE THAT THERE WERE
2 TWO TRAININGS. I DID GET A PHONE CALL FROM SOMEONE THAT SAID
3 THAT THEY WANTED MORE INFORMATION ABOUT IT, AND I HAVE BEEN
4 COLLECTING NAMES OF PEOPLE THAT HAD THIS HAPPEN.
5 UNFORTUNATELY, THEY'RE NOT IN L.A. COUNTY, SO IT DOESN'T
6 REALLY AFFECT L.A., BUT THEY ARE IN INLAND EMPIRE AND THE BAY
7 AREA. SO, I REALLY WOULD ASK POLITELY, PLEASE DO NOT CERTIFY
8 THIS ELECTION UNTIL JULY 8TH, AND PLEASE LISTEN. LISTEN TO THE
9 PUBLIC. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** LINDA KRAUSEN AND FRYDA GONZALES?

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13 **LINDA KRAUSEN:** SO SORRY. I JUST HAD A CAST PUT ON. MY NAME IS
14 LINDA KRAUSEN, AND I YIELD MY TIME TO JEANINE ROHN? MAY I MAKE
15 ONE LITTLE STATEMENT FIRST AND YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME TO
16 HER? I WOULD LIKE TO BE HERE IN RECOGNITION OF THE YEN COUPLE,
17 A YOUNG COUPLE WHO WERE VOTING THE FIRST TIME OUT OF THE
18 LAFAYETTE PRECINCT STATION IN LOS ANGELES AND HAD REGISTERED
19 TOGETHER. AND THEN WHEN THEY CAME TO VOTE, THEY WERE NOT ON
20 THE ROLLS, NEITHER ONE OF THEIR NAMES, AND THEY WERE TURNED
21 AWAY AND NOT ALLOWED TO VOTE. I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME TO
22 JEANINE ROHN.

23

24 **JEANINE ROHN:** JEANINE RHON AGAIN. I WANTED TO EXPLAIN THE
25 EMAIL THAT I SUBMITTED. IT WAS FROM AN EXCHANGE BETWEEN BILL



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1 SIMPICH AND DEAN LOGAN REGARDING THE INCIDENT THAT HAPPENED
2 WITH THE N.P.P. BALLOTS THAT WERE BEING REMADE. AND AT FIRST,
3 HE WASN'T GOING -- AFTER THAT WAS FOUND BY ONE OF THE
4 OBSERVERS THAT THOSE VOTES WEREN'T BEING COUNTED, THOSE
5 BALLOTS WEREN'T BEING COUNTED, THERE WAS AN EXCHANGE, AND ONCE
6 THE ATTORNEY BILL SIMPICH INTERACTED WITH DEAN LOGAN, THEN HE
7 DECIDED TO GO AHEAD AND COUNT THOSE BALLOTS. AND -- ALL RIGHT.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

10

11 **FRYDA:** HI. MY NAME IS FRYDA GONZALES. I'M ACTUALLY FROM
12 CORONA, CALIFORNIA, FROM RIVERSIDE COUNTY. THE REASON WHY I'M
13 HERE IS BECAUSE I WANT EVERYBODY HERE TO KNOW THAT THE ISSUES
14 THAT WE'RE COMING ACROSS WITH VOTER IRREGULARITIES AND VOTER
15 SUPPRESSION, IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT IS JUST INDEPENDENT TO
16 L.A. COUNTY, BUT IT'S HAPPENING ALL OVER CALIFORNIA. I, AMONG
17 SOME OF MY TEAM MEMBERS, WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON OUR VOTES COUNT
18 IN RIVERSIDE, AND WE'RE GATHERING PLENTY OF TESTIMONIES
19 STATING ALL THE SUPPRESSIONS AND IRREGULARITIES THAT HAVE BEEN
20 HAPPENING IN OUR COUNTY. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT ARE VERY
21 IMPORTANT, AND I HOPE YOU GUYS ARE AWARE OF THIS, BUT SOME OF
22 THE VOTES THAT WERE ACTUALLY LABELED AS DAMAGED BALLOTS ARE
23 NOT BEING COUNTED. AND I HOPE YOU GUYS ARE PAYING ATTENTION,
24 BECAUSE THERE'S THOUSANDS OF VOTES THAT ARE NOT BEING COUNTED
25 AND WERE LABELED AS DAMAGED BALLOTS. WE HAVE PROOF FOR THAT,



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1 AND NOBODY SEEMS TO BE PAYING ATTENTION TO THAT. SO, THANK
2 YOU.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE LANCASTER ONLINE: MICHAEL
5 JENKINS, DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS.

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7 **EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS:** HELLO, YES, MY NAME IS EVANGELIST
8 AND ACTIVIST MICHAEL JENKINS, AND I WANT TO YIELD MY TIME TO
9 DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS, BECAUSE I'M TIRED OF TALKING TO YOU
10 GUYS ABOUT THIS PLANTATION THAT'S NOT DOING ANY GOOD.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE 42 SECONDS. OKAY, GO.

13

14 **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** HI, I'M DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS, AND
15 I WANTED TO SAY, WOW, GOLLY GEE, I'M JUMPING OFF THE ROOF. I
16 CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THE PEOPLE DOWN BELOW, BECAUSE YOU'RE LIKE
17 IN A WHOLE DIFFERENT WORLD FROM ME, ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT
18 VOTER SUPPRESSION, TRANSPARENCY, ALL THESE OTHER ISSUES ABOUT
19 THE BALLOTS AND INDIVIDUALS TALKING ABOUT GOING TO COURT,
20 WHICH, MY FRIEND, YOU DON'T KNOW A DARN THING ABOUT COURT.
21 I'VE BEEN IN COURT FOR CASES FOR 30 YEARS, AND IT JUST WENT TO
22 PRO PER AND FEDERAL COURT, AND THEY'RE NOT ANY MORE
23 TRANSPARENT THAN WHAT'S GOING ON RIGHT NOW TODAY. SO, GOING TO
24 COURT AS PRO PER ISN'T GOING TO DO A DARN THING. THE REALITY
25 IS THAT I DON'T SEE ANY BLACK PEOPLE DOWN THERE. AND THE



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1 REASON WHY I MENTION THAT -- AND I CAN, BECAUSE I'M MIXED, I'M
2 BIRACIAL -- I'M TALKING ABOUT THE FACT THAT I LIVE IN THE
3 ANTELOPE VALLEY, AND FOR YEARS, WE HAVE HAD BALLOT BOXES
4 STUFFED IN LANCASTER. WE HAVE HAD ALL KINDS OF DISCREPANCIES
5 IN LANCASTER, BECAUSE THEY COUNT THEIR OWN VOTES. BUT I HAVE
6 NEVER SEEN ONE OF YOU SHOW UP AND FIGHT FOR WHAT HAS BEEN
7 HAPPENING UP HERE ON THIS PLANTATION AND TALK ABOUT
8 TRANSPARENCY, DEMOCRACY, HONESTY, AND ALL THESE OTHER THINGS.
9 WE'VE LIVED IN A HELL OF A WORLD FOR 30 YEARS, AND NOW YOU'RE
10 COMPLAINING ABOUT SOME GLITCHES AND SOME PROBLEMS. IS IT
11 BECAUSE OF BERNIE? IS IT BECAUSE OF DEMOCRACY? IS IT BECAUSE
12 OF TRANSPARENCY? IS IT BECAUSE YOUR GUY DIDN'T GET IN? WELL,
13 BELIEVE ME -- I'M 62 YEARS OLD -- MY PARENTS FOUGHT IN THE
14 CIVIL-RIGHTS ISSUES. MY PARENTS DIED TO VOTE. AND DO YOU KNOW
15 WHAT? I CAN'T FEEL SYMPATHETIC FOR YOU. IT'S A GLITCH. GO
16 AHEAD. PASS THE RESULTS, AND FIX IT NEXT TIME.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME'S EXPIRED. I'D LIKE TO ASK DEAN
19 LOGAN FROM THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO PLEASE RESPOND TO SOME OF
20 THE QUESTIONS THAT WERE RAISED BY SOME OF THE MEMBERS IN THE
21 AUDIENCE.

22

23 **DEAN LOGAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DEAN LOGAN
24 REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK. I'LL TRY TO BRIEFLY RESPOND.
25 FIRST, JUST LET ME MAKE THE STATEMENT THAT THE REGISTRAR'S



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1 OFFICE TAKES VOTING INTEGRITY VERY SERIOUSLY. I WAS HERE THREE
2 WEEKS AGO TO RESPOND TO A LOT OF THESE ISSUES. WE PUBLISHED A
3 REPORT IDENTIFYING THOSE ISSUES AND BEING VERY TRANSPARENT
4 ABOUT THE THINGS THAT DID TAKE PLACE ON JUNE 7TH. WE ARE
5 FOLLOWING UP ON THAT. IT WAS STATED THAT THOSE COMPLAINTS
6 WEREN'T ON THE RECORD. THEY WERE ON THE RECORD. WE HAVE A FULL
7 ACCOUNTING OF THOSE, AND WE ARE LOOKING AT THE INDIVIDUAL
8 CASES AS WELL AS THE CUMULATIVE CASES. BUT CALIFORNIA STATE
9 LAW DOES ALLOW FOR A 28-DAY POST-ELECTION PERIOD TO GO THROUGH
10 THOSE ISSUES AND TO TRY AND IDENTIFY IF THERE WERE
11 IRREGULARITIES OR ISSUES THAT TOOK PLACE ON ELECTION DAY. WE
12 COMPLETED THAT PROCESS LAST WEEK. I CAN TELL YOU THAT WE'VE
13 HAD OBSERVERS THERE. IT HAS BEEN A VERY OPEN AND TRANSPARENT
14 PROCESS. YOU HEARD TESTIMONY ABOUT SOME ISSUES OF VOTER-INTENT
15 INTERPRETATION. WE LISTENED TO THOSE QUESTIONS. WE REVIEWED
16 THOSE ISSUES, AND WE RESPONDED ACCORDINGLY. AND AS A RESULT OF
17 THAT, THE VOTER INTENT WAS THE DECIDING FACTOR ON HOW THOSE
18 BALLOTS WERE PROCESSED. THERE WAS NEVER AN ISSUE OF BALLOTS
19 NOT BEING COUNTED. THERE WAS AN ISSUE OF THE PARTICULAR BALLOT
20 STYLE THAT WAS ISSUED TO THE VOTER AND WHETHER THAT WAS ISSUED
21 IN ERROR AND HOW WE WERE GOING TO LOOK AT THAT IN TERMS OF A
22 PROVISIONAL BALLOT. I CAN TELL YOU AND I REPORTED THIS WHEN I
23 WAS HERE BEFORE THAT WE ISSUED OVER 268,000 PROVISIONAL
24 BALLOTS ON JUNE 7TH. WHILE THAT WAS HIGH FOR A PRIMARY, IT WAS
25 NOT OUT OF ORDINARY FOR A STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION. WE, AT



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1 THE COMPLETION OF THIS CANVASS, 87.33 PERCENT OF THOSE
2 PROVISIONAL BALLOTS WERE FOUND TO BE VALID AND WERE COUNTED
3 AND ARE REPRESENTED IN THE RESULTS THAT ARE PRESENTED BEFORE
4 YOU TODAY. SO, THAT IS ALSO CONSISTENT WITH THE HISTORY OF
5 PROVISIONAL BALLOTS IN L.A. COUNTY. SO, AGAIN, MORE THAN 87
6 PERCENT OF THE PROVISIONAL BALLOTS WERE, IN FACT, COUNTED. WE
7 DID CONDUCT A 1-PERCENT MANUAL TALLY OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE
8 ELECTION, AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA LAW. WE ACTUALLY EXCEEDED
9 THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF THAT TO BE SURE THAT ALL CONTESTS
10 AND ALL ACCOUNTING EQUIPMENT WAS AUDITED IN THAT PROCESS. THAT
11 ALSO WAS DONE IN AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT MANNER, AND THERE
12 HAVE BEEN SEVERAL REPORTS BY LEADING VOTING-INTEGRITY
13 ACTIVISTS THAT HAVE LOOKED AT THAT. SO, I RECOGNIZE THAT THERE
14 ARE CONCERNS. AS I SAID WHEN I WAS HERE BEFORE, THE PRIMARY
15 PROCESS, THE PARTISAN PRIMARY PROCESS, PARTICULARLY IN A
16 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION YEAR IN CALIFORNIA, IS NOT DESIGNED WITH
17 VOTERS IN MIND, AND IT WAS OVERLY COMPLEX FOR OUR POLL
18 WORKERS. IT WAS DIFFICULT TO ADMINISTER. WE TAKE
19 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THAT. WE ARE GOING TO TAKE CORRECTIVE
20 ACTION. LAST WEEK, WE UNVEILED THE WORK THAT WE HAVE BEEN
21 DOING FOR SEVERAL YEARS TO PRESENT A MORE MODERNIZED VOTING
22 SYSTEM FOR L.A. COUNTY. I SHOULD NOTE AND THAT WE ARE ON THE
23 RECORD THAT THAT IS FOUNDED ON THE CONCEPT OF OPEN-SOURCE AND
24 TRANSPARENCY. THERE WAS A LEADING COMPUTER SCIENTIST, DR.
25 DAVID DILL, WHO WAS QUOTED IN THE L.A. TIMES ARTICLE AFTER



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1 THAT, INDICATING THAT WE'RE LEADING IN THAT REGARD. SO, AGAIN,
2 WE TAKE THIS VERY SERIOUSLY. WE'VE ADDRESSED THOSE ISSUES THAT
3 CAN BE ADDRESSED LEADING TO THE CERTIFICATION OF THIS
4 ELECTION. WE HAVE A LEGAL OBLIGATION TO FINISH THE
5 CERTIFICATION AND TO CERTIFY. THE SECRETARY OF STATE WILL
6 CERTIFY ON A STATEWIDE BASIS NEXT WEEK, AND THOSE RECORDS ARE
7 A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD AND WILL REMAIN SO.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO, WHEN YOU SAY PUBLIC RECORD, THEN,
10 WE CAN EXPECT THAT ALL OF THIS WILL BE PROVIDED PERHAPS ON
11 YOUR WEB PORTAL SO INFORMATION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE?

12

13 **DEAN LOGAN:** RIGHT. SO, THE REPORT THAT I MADE A COUPLE WEEKS
14 AGO IS ALREADY ON THE WEBSITE. WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH THE
15 ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AND ADDITIONAL RESPONSES TO THE CASE-BY-
16 CASE BASIS THAT WERE LISTED.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS..

19

20 **DEAN LOGAN:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ..IF YOU FOUND THERE WERE
23 DISCREPANCIES? OKAY, VERY GOOD. ANY QUESTIONS? YES, SUPERVISOR
24 ANTONOVICH?

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I'D MENTIONED THAT MY FAMILY'S SAMPLE
2 BALLOT DIDN'T ARRIVE UNTIL ABOUT LESS THAN TWO WEEKS BEFORE
3 THE ELECTION. IF WE WERE TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR AN ABSENTEE
4 BALLOT, BY THE TIME YOU WOULD RECEIVE IT AND MAIL IT BACK, IT
5 MAY BE AFTER THE ELECTION. YOU SAID THE LAW ONLY REQUIRES TWO
6 WEEKS?

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8 **DEAN LOGAN:** THE CURRENT LAW -- YOU ARE CORRECT. THERE IS AN
9 OVERLAP IN TERMS OF THE DEADLINES FOR MAILING THE VOTE-BY-MAIL
10 BALLOTS AND THE DEADLINE FOR MAILING OUT THE SAMPLE BALLOTS.
11 THAT IS AN EXAMPLE OF SOMETHING THAT IS EXACERBATED IN THE
12 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY BECAUSE OF THE MULTIPLE VERSIONS OF THE
13 SAMPLE BALLOT. THAT WON'T BE THE CASE IN NOVEMBER.

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15 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO, RESIDENTS WILL EXPECT TO RECEIVE
16 A SAMPLE BALLOT AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS PRIOR TO THE ELECTION?

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18 **DEAN LOGAN:** I CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT. I CAN CERTAINLY MAKE
19 EVERY EFFORT TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT HAPPENS IN NOVEMBER.

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21 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE PROCESS TO ENSURE THAT
22 THAT WOULD HAPPEN? IS IT STATE LAW, OR IS IT --

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24 **DEAN LOGAN:** STATE LAW ALLOWS UP TO TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE
25 ELECTION. THE ISSUE IS A PRODUCTION -- IT'S A PRODUCTION RUN.



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1 SO, IT'S WITH THE VENDOR THAT WE PROVIDE THE MATERIAL TO THAT
2 PRODUCES THE SAMPLE BALLOTS AND MAILES THEM. SO, THEY ARE
3 AVAILABLE, OBVIOUSLY, ONLINE, AND WE TAKE THE NOTE SERIOUSLY
4 TO -- AND I CAN GO BACK TO THE VENDOR AND SEE WHAT WOULD IT
5 TAKE TO ENSURE THAT ALL OF THEM ARE OUT FOUR WEEKS BEFORE THE
6 ELECTION, BUT THAT HAS NOT BEEN THE -- IT'S NOT THE PROVISIONS
7 OF THE CONTRACT THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS.

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9 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** YOU WOULD THINK THAT JUST FOR GOOD
10 PUBLIC POLICY, BECAUSE OF THE DELAYS IN MAIL BACK AND FORTH,
11 THAT THE VOTER WOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO EXERCISE THAT SAMPLE
12 BALLOT-- I SHOULD SAY ABSENTEE BALLOT, BECAUSE YOU HAVE ABOUT
13 APPROXIMATELY 50 PERCENT ARE ALREADY DOING THAT, AND THAT
14 WOULD PERHAPS INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS IF THEY
15 HAD THAT ABILITY.

16

17 **DEAN LOGAN:** RIGHT.

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19 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, DEAN.
22 WE HAVE OTHER SPEAKERS THAT HAD PULLED ITEMS, AS WELL. SO,
23 WE'D LIKE TO GO TO MICHAEL JENKINS. HE HELD ITEM -- WANTS TO
24 SPEAK ON ITEM 9. WAYNE FROM ENCINO, ITEM 8. 1-D, 17, C.S.-1.
25 AND CAROLINE SIM, C.S.-1. JENKINS IN LANCASTER, ITEM 9.



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2 **EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS:** YES, THIS IS EVANGELIST MICHAEL
3 JENKINS AGAIN, AND I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE MY TIME TO DR.
4 WILLIAMS.

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6 **CAROLINE SIM:** HI. MY NAME IS CAROLINE SIM, AND I'M GOING TO
7 CEDE MY TIME TO ARNE SACHS.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, HOLD ON. WE'RE STILL IN
10 LANCASTER.

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12 **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** THIS IS DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS.
13 I'M TAKING MY TIME AND ALSO MR. JENKINS TIME ON, IN TERMS OF
14 ITEM NO. 9, I BELIEVE THAT'S THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, GIVING
15 THEM A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF MONEY. I WOULD FAVOR THE EXTENSION OF
16 GIVING THEM THAT MONEY OR EXTENDING THAT MONEY TO THEM. THE
17 ONLY THING THAT I SAY EACH AND EVERY TIME, BECAUSE I GO BACK
18 IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, IN TERMS OF THE HISTORY, THE
19 HISTORY, ALL THE WAY BACK TO TONY WELCH, AND YOU REMEMBER HIM,
20 MICHAEL ANTONOVICH, I STILL DO NOT SEE ANYTHING EVER ON YOUR
21 AGENDA ABOUT SENSITIVITY TRAINING IN TERMS OF DOMESTIC-
22 VIOLENCE VICTIMS AND ANY KIND OF SERVICES TO THE SHERIFF'S
23 DEPARTMENT IN TERMS OF BEING MORE SENSITIVE AND ACCEPTING OF
24 BLACK MALES WHO COME IN AS DOMESTIC-VIOLENCE VICTIMS. SO, IN



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1 TERMS OF ITEM 9, GIVE THEM THE MONEY THAT THEY NEED TO DO
2 THEIR JOBS, BUT YOU NEED TO EXPAND YOUR AGENDA.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES, GOOD. WE'RE DOWN TO ONE MINUTE NOW. SO,
7 THAT'S GOOD. WE'RE GETTING EVERYTHING RUSHED AND THROUGH,
8 TAKING RIGHT AFTER HERB WESSON AND HIS CITY HALL. SO, GOOD JOB
9 THERE, AS I TOLD YOU WHAT WOULD HAPPEN, BUT YOU DIDN'T HEED
10 THE WARNING. SO, YOU CAN'T REALLY TALK ABOUT THIS
11 INTELLIGENTLY WITH 60 FRICKING SECONDS, YOU KNOW. I MEAN, IT'S
12 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AT STAKE HERE. BUT, YOU KNOW, IT'S JUST
13 PEAS IN THE POD, RIGHT, A MILLION HERE, \$4 MILLION HERE, \$6
14 MILLION HERE. WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE? YOU SHOULD JUST HAVE IT
15 IN ONE LINE ITEM AND JUST GIVE US 30 SECONDS EACH. AND THEN
16 YOU CAN BE OUT. YOU CAN STILL PLAY GOLF UNTIL 8:00 AT NIGHT,
17 RIGHT? SO, I MEAN, YOU KNOW, IT'S A RUSH. BUT THE MOST
18 IMPORTANT THING, THE MOST IMPORTANT THING, MIKE ANTONOVICH FOR
19 STATE SENATE. VOTE HIM IN FOR STATE SENATE: MIKE ANTONOVICH.
20 [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CAROLINE SIM GAVE TIME TO ARNOLD
23 SACHS ON C.S.-1.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. AND C.S.-1,
2 AGAIN, IS THE PORTER RANCH ROUTINE. AND, SEE, I GUESS THAT GAS
3 DOES AFFECT PEOPLE IN STRANGE WAYS. HOW WOULD YOU VOTE FOR
4 SOMEBODY FOR STATE SENATOR WHO DID NOT REALIZE THAT THERE WAS
5 A GAS STORAGE FACILITY STORING 83 MILLION CUBIC FEET OF
6 NATURAL GAS, DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT? AND SO YOU WANT TO
7 PUT HIM INTO A HIGHER OFFICE. THERE'S A DEFINITE PROBLEM
8 THERE. IN TODAY'S NEWSPAPER, IT MENTIONS, THE COLUMN, BUT
9 FEARS ABOUT PROPERTY VALUES AND FUTURE LEAKS THAT CAST A
10 SHADOW. SO, A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU HAD
11 SOMEBODY HERE TALKING ABOUT THEIR HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION. WHY
12 DIDN'T YOU SPELL OUT FOR THE PEOPLE AT PORTER RANCH WHAT THEY
13 CAN DO TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION THAT
14 AUTHORIZED THE BUILDING OF THE HOMES ON TOP OF THIS GAS
15 STORAGE TANK? I'M SURPRISED YOU DIDN'T STEP UP FOR SUPERVISOR
16 ANTONOVICH. SHAME ON YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICE WILL CALL THE
19 REMAINING ITEMS.

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21 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
22 ARE BEFORE YOU: ITEM 1-D, 1-H, 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13,
23 21, 22, 25, 26, AND 33.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR
2 KNABE MOVES, SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE
3 ORDER.

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5 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, AT THIS TIME, IT IS
6 APPROPRIATE TO TAKE UP ITEMS P-1, 1-P, AND 39. MEMBERS OF THE
7 PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN ONE SET TIME TO ADDRESS THESE RELATED
8 ITEMS TOGETHER. SINCE ITEM 39 IS A PUBLIC HEARING, AT THIS
9 TIME, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE
10 STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** A WHOLE LOT OF PEOPLE.

13

14 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
15 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH,
16 THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD?
17 ITEMS 1-P AND 39 ARE HEARINGS ON RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE
18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALSO ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
19 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ADOPT A RESOLUTION AND
20 PLACE ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 BALLOT AN ANNUAL SPECIAL TAX OF
21 1.5 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT OF BUILDING FLOOR AREA ON PROPERTY
22 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO BE LEVIED FOR 35 YEARS. ON THESE
23 ITEMS, THERE ARE DEPARTMENT STATEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE WAS
24 RECEIVED, AND THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO
25 ADDRESS THE BOARD. MADAME CHAIR, AT THIS TIME, SINCE THERE ARE



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1 OVER 120 PEOPLE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, WE
2 ARE RECOMMENDING THAT EACH SPEAKER, AFTER THE PRESENTERS, BE
3 GIVEN ONE MINUTE EACH. [BOOS.]

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OBJECTION. AUDIENCE, I AM JUST
6 WANTING TO INFORM YOU THAT WE HAVE SO MANY SPEAKERS, AND IT'S
7 GREAT. THIS IS WHAT IT SHOULD BE ABOUT. BUT PLEASE HELP US. WE
8 WANT TO HEAR FROM EVERYONE AS BEST WE CAN. WE APPRECIATE YOU
9 SPENDING YOUR DAY HERE WITH US. AND PLEASE HELP US MOVE THE
10 AGENDA ALONG. WITH THAT, I BELIEVE WE HAVE OUR PANEL. WE HAVE
11 JOHN WICKER, PARKS AND REC. WE HAVE CINDY HARDING, PUBLIC
12 HEALTH. WE HAVE JANE BEASLEY, SPECIAL DISTRICT, AND ALSO
13 RICHARD BERNARD, F.M.3. JOHN, YOU CAN ALSO SIT UP IN THE FRONT
14 THERE. IF YOU ALL -- THERE'S ROOM FOR ALL OF YOU, YEAH. WHY
15 DON'T WE DO THAT? AND, THEN... RICHARD CAN SIT THERE. CYNTHIA,
16 WHY DON'T YOU SIT THERE... SO WE CAN SEE YOU. JOHN? AND CAN WE
17 HAVE QUIET IN THE ROOM, PLEASE?

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I MAY, WE HAVE ONE OF THE
20 POLLSTERS -- I THINK THE REQUEST WAS FOR ALL OF THE POLLSTERS
21 WHO HAVE WEIGHED IN TO BE ABLE TO GIVE INPUT. IS THAT NOT
22 CORRECT?

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE ALL HERE. ARE
25 THEY ALL HERE?



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, BUT THE QUESTION WAS THAT THERE WERE
3 THREE POLLSTERS ENTITY. THE QUESTION IS, ARE THEY ALL
4 REPRESENTED OR NOT, AND ARE THEY HERE TO SPEAK?

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6 **SPEAKER:** ONE OF THE THREE.

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8 **SPEAKER:** NO, SUPERVISOR, MR. STEINBERG WAS NOT ABLE TO MAKE
9 IT.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, BUT THE QUESTION IS, WHOEVER IS HERE
12 OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO BE INVITED, I MEAN, ALL SUCH PERSONS. IS
13 THAT NOT CORRECT?

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15 **SPEAKER:** SHE'S GOING TO GO GET --

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17 **SPEAKER:** SHE'LL GRAB THE OTHER PERSON.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT WHOEVER IS SUPPOSED TO BE. THE REQUEST
20 OF THE BOARD WAS FOR ALL OF THE POLLSTERS TO BE HERE. NOT ONE,
21 ALL THREE.

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23 **SPEAKER:** WELL, MR. STEINBERG WAS UNAVAILABLE.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, WHOEVER WAS SUPPOSED TO BE HERE, BUT
2 THERE IS ANOTHER PERSON WHO IS NOT HERE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** DID MR. STEINBERG SEND SOMEBODY?

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6 **SPEAKER:** NO, HE DIDN'T. HE WAS UNAVAILABLE ON THE SHORT
7 NOTICE.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE CAN BEGIN THE PRESENTATION WITH
10 JOHN WICKER.

11

12 **JOHN WICKER:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WELL, GOOD AFTERNOON,
13 SUPERVISORS. IT'S CERTAINLY MY PLEASURE TO BE BACK HERE TODAY
14 ONCE AGAIN. JOHN WICKER, DIRECTOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
15 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. ALSO WITH ME IS JANE
16 BEESLEY, THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. WE HAVE
17 CYNTHIA HARDING, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 PUBLIC HEALTH. AND WE ALSO, WE'RE BRINGING UP RIGHT NOW, TOO,
19 WE HAVE -- WE'RE GOING TO HAVE DAVID EARLY, THE PRINCIPAL OF
20 PLACEWORKS, WHICH WAS ONE OF OUR CONSULTANTS. AND WE'VE ALSO
21 GOT DR. RICHARD BERNARD WITH F.M.3, WHO IS THE CONSULTANT ON
22 THE POLLING FOR PARKS. SO WE'LL HAVE ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE WITH
23 US TODAY. LAST TIME I WAS HERE, IT WAS ON MAY 3RD, AND I
24 PRESENTED THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE 2016 COUNTY-WIDE PARKS
25 AND RECREATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT TO THIS BOARD. AND I ALSO



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1 PRESENTED A DRAFT RECOMMENDED REVENUE MODEL AND EXPENDITURE
2 PLAN FOR FUTURE FUNDING MEASURES. AT THAT BOARD MEETING, I WAS
3 INSTRUCTED TO REPORT BACK WITH THE FINAL NARRATIVE FOR THE
4 2016 COUNTYWIDE PARK AND RECREATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND ALSO
5 WITH THE FINAL DRAFT LOCAL PARKS FUNDING MEASURE RESOLUTION SO
6 THAT THE BOARD MAY CONSIDER IT FOR ADOPTION AND PLACEMENT ON
7 THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 BALLOT. I WAS ALSO ASKED TO CONDUCT
8 ADDITIONAL PUBLIC OPINION POLLING IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
9 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, AND THE FIVE
10 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT OFFICES AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATE
11 REVISIONS TO THE RESOLUTION PRIOR TO REPORTING BACK. SO, I'M
12 PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU IN TODAY'S PACKAGE THE FINAL NEEDS
13 ASSESSMENT, THE FINAL REPORT. IT'S ALL COMPLETE. AND IT'S
14 BEFORE YOU, SO FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION. THE NARRATIVE
15 REPORT REFLECTS THE FULL DETAIL OF THE DATA COLLECTION AND ITS
16 RESULTS. THE APPENDICES TOTALING NEARLY 3,000 PAGES REFLECTS
17 THE ANALYSIS AND NEED MAPS OF EACH STUDY AREA WITHIN THE
18 COUNTY. I'M ALSO HERE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE DRAFT FUNDING
19 MEASURE RESOLUTION. WE'VE BEEN WORKING VERY HARD TO COMPLETE
20 THE FINAL DRAFT PARKS FUNDING MEASURE RESOLUTION. SINCE WE
21 LAST TALKED TO YOU, WE'VE CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE INFORMATIONAL
22 AND EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH. WE'VE HAD 11 COMMUNITY INFORMATIONAL
23 MEETINGS, TWO IN EACH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WITH AN
24 ADDITIONAL ONE IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. WE'VE ALSO
25 CONDUCTED OUTREACH TO ALL OF THE 88 CITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY



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1 AS WELL AS 139 CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, 14 LABOR GROUPS, AND 12
2 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING A TOTAL OF OVER 120
3 BRIEFINGS OR PRESENTATIONS ON THE FUNDING MEASURE. WE'VE ALSO
4 DONE ELECTRONIC MEDIA WITH PUBLIC INFORMATION ON THE NEEDS
5 ASSESSMENT AND FUNDING MEASURE. WE'VE SEEN OVER 7 MILLION
6 TIMES WITH ONLINE VIDEO BANNERS, SOCIAL MEDIA, VIDEO AND STILL
7 INFORMATION ON FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM AND TWITTER. THERE'S GOOGLE
8 AD WORDS, VIDEO, AND STILL INFORMATION DISPLAYED BASED ON KEY
9 WORD AND CONTENT AND SEARCH TERMS. THERE'S NEWS ARTICLES
10 HIGHLIGHTING THE NEEDS- ASSESSMENT FINDINGS AND FUNDING
11 MEASURE IN LOCAL PRINT AND ONLINE MEDIA IN ENGLISH, SPANISH,
12 CHINESE, KOREAN, AND THAI PUBLICATIONS. OUR COUNTYWIDE PARK
13 SUMMIT, WE'VE HAD QUARTERLY MEETINGS WITH THE 88 CITIES. WE'VE
14 HELD THEM IN MARCH AND JUNE 2016, AND WE PROVIDED DETAILED
15 INFORMATION AND UPDATES ON THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND THE
16 FUNDING MEASURE FOR ALL OF THEIR PARK DIRECTORS, STAFF, AND
17 ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES. WE'VE ALSO FORMED A COUNTYWIDE
18 WORKING GROUP, AS WE WERE INSTRUCTED BY THE BOARD. I CONVENED
19 MEETINGS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF MANY COUNTY AGENCIES,
20 INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR, THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER,
21 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, COUNTY COUNSEL, DEPARTMENTS OF
22 BEACHES AND HARBORS, PUBLIC WORKS, AND REGISTRAR-
23 RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK, AS WELL AS THE FIVE SUPERVISORIAL
24 DISTRICT OFFICES. THE COUNTYWIDE WORKING GROUP WAS
25 INSTRUMENTAL IN DRAFTING THE FUNDING MEASURE PLAN, AND INPUT



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1 FROM THE GROUP IS REFLECTED IN THE FINAL DRAFT. IN
2 CONSULTATION WITH THE C.E.O., COUNTY COUNSEL, AND THE FIVE
3 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS, ADDITIONAL POLLING WAS CONDUCTED ON
4 THE FUNDING MEASURE, INCLUDING TESTING OF TAX RATES OF 3 CENTS
5 AND 1-1/2 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT. THE POLLING WAS COMPLETED ON
6 THE 75-WORD BALLOT STATEMENT, AND SUPPORT REMAINS CONSISTENT
7 FOR THE FUNDING MEASURE WITH 69 PERCENT OF LIKELY VOTERS IN
8 FAVOR INITIALLY. AFTER EDUCATIONAL MESSAGES, SUPPORT FOR THE
9 BALLOT MEASURE INCREASED TO 75 PERCENT. STATISTICALLY THERE
10 WAS NO DIFFERENCE IN SUPPORT BETWEEN THE TWO TAX RATES. AS
11 REQUESTED BY THE BOARD, STEINBERG AND ASSOCIATES POLLING ON
12 THE LENGTH AND ORDER OF THE THREE POTENTIAL COUNTYWIDE BALLOT
13 MEASURES FOR THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 GENERAL ELECTION -- THAT'S
14 PARKS, HOMELESSNESS, AND TRANSPORTATION -- HAS BEEN COMPLETED.
15 THIS POLLING, TAKEN WITH ALL POLLING COMPLETED TO DATE,
16 SUGGESTS THAT ALL THREE POTENTIAL MEASURES ARE VIABLE AT THE
17 SUPERMAJORITY LEVEL IN NOVEMBER 2016. THE LEVELS OF SUPPORT
18 FOR THE THREE MEASURES APPEAR TO BE RELATIVELY CONSISTENT
19 ACROSS THE SURVEYS. REVISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE DRAFT
20 FUNDING MEASURE IN RESPONSE TO THE INFORMATIONAL AND
21 EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH EFFORTS THAT WERE CONDUCTED. AND WE'D
22 LIKE TO TALK ABOUT A FEW OF THOSE CHANGES NOW. THE MAIN
23 REVISION IS AN INCREASE OF THE FIRST FUNDING CATEGORY. THAT'S
24 THE COMMUNITY-BASED PARK INVESTMENT PROGRAM. WE'RE
25 RECOMMENDING INCREASING IT FROM 27 PERCENT TO 35 PERCENT OF



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1 THE OVERALL FUNDING. THIS CATEGORY REPRESENTS THE DIRECT
2 RETURN OF FUNDS TO THE CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE
3 COUNTY BY STUDY AREA AS DEFINED IN THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT. BASED
4 UPON FEEDBACK FROM OUR EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL OUTREACH,
5 50 PERCENT OF THE FUNDS COLLECTED BY THE TAX WILL BE RETURNED
6 TO THE CITIES IN THE COMMUNITY-BASED PARK INVESTMENT PROGRAM
7 AND LOCAL AGENCY MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING FUNDS. THE 75-WORD
8 BALLOT STATEMENT WAS REFINED TO REFLECT POLLING RESULTS.
9 COUNTY COUNSEL HAS ADVISED STAFF THAT THE SENIOR EXEMPTION IS
10 NOT LEGAL FOR THIS TYPE OF MEASURE. THEREFORE, THE MEASURE
11 WILL APPLY TO ALL PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS. COUNTY COUNSEL HAS
12 ALSO ADVISED STAFF THAT THE WELFARE EXEMPTION DOES APPLY TO
13 THIS PROPOSED TAX. THOSE PROPERTIES THAT ARE OPERATED BY A
14 NONPROFIT, SUCH AS AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS, CHURCHES,
15 HOSPITALS, AS AN EXAMPLE, WHO USE THEIR PROPERTY FOR THAT
16 PURPOSE CAN APPLY FOR AN EXEMPTION, OR IF THEY ALREADY HAVE
17 THIS EXEMPTION, IT WILL APPLY TO THIS NEW PROPOSED TAX, AS
18 WELL. I NOW HAVE A BRIEF VISUAL PRESENTATION ON THE PROPOSED
19 PARK FUNDING MEASURE, AND JANE BEESLEY WILL BE PRESENTING THAT
20 PORTION.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, JANE.

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24 **JANE BEESLEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. IN 1992 AND 1996, L.A. COUNTY
25 VOTERS APPROVED PROP A, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE REGIONAL PARK



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1 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, AND THERE HAVE BEEN 25 YEARS OF
2 DEDICATED LOCAL GRANT FUNDING TO PROTECT AND MAINTAIN
3 NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, OUTDOOR SPACES, AND WATER RESOURCES AND
4 BEACHES. THE FIRST TAX TO FUND PROJECTS IN OUR PARKS EXPIRED
5 IN 2015. THE REMAINING TAX WILL EXPIRE IN 2019. THE PROPOSED
6 LOCAL FUNDING MEASURE WILL RENEW EXPIRING DEDICATED LOCAL
7 FUNDING, CREATE SAFE PLAY AREAS, REDUCE GANG ACTIVITY, CREATE
8 AND MAINTAIN NEIGHBORHOOD AND CITY PARKS, CONSERVE AND PROTECT
9 LOCAL WATER RESOURCES. AS YOU ALL KNOW, THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT
10 WAS A 15-MONTH PROCESS, AND IT IDENTIFIED BOTH THE NEEDS IN
11 THE COUNTY FOR ALL THE CITIES AS WELL AS THE UNINCORPORATED
12 AREAS. IT INCLUDES A \$21.5 BILLION NEED FOR FUNDING OF
13 PROJECTS. THIS FUNDING MEASURE WAS WRITTEN TO MEET THE
14 IDENTIFIED NEED AND A PORTION OF THE IDENTIFIED FUNDING. SO,
15 AFTER POLLING AND INPUT FROM ALL OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS, WE'VE
16 COME UP WITH THESE FINAL 75 WORDS WHICH WE ARE PROPOSING TO
17 YOU TODAY. "SAFE, CLEAN NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, OPEN SPACE,
18 BEACHES, RIVERS, PROTECTION, AND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURE TO
19 REPLACE EXPIRING LOCAL FUNDING FOR SAFE, CLEAN NEIGHBORHOODS,
20 CITY AND COUNTY PARKS, INCREASE SAFE PLAYGROUNDS, REDUCE GANG
21 ACTIVITY, KEEP NEIGHBORHOOD RECREATION, SENIOR CENTERS,
22 DRINKING WATER SAFE, PROTECT BEACHES, RIVERS, WATER
23 RESOURCES, REMAINING NATURAL AREAS, OPEN SPACE, SHALL 1.5
24 CENTS BE LEVIED ANNUALLY PER SQUARE FOOT OF IMPROVED PROPERTY
25 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR 35 YEARS WITH BOND AUTHORITY



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1 REQUIRING CITIZEN OVERSIGHT AND INDEPENDENT AUDITS?" THE
2 REVISIONS TO THE FUNDING MEASURE, AS JOHN INDICATED... ARE THE
3 MAIN CATEGORY 1 THAT WENT FROM 27 TO 35 PERCENT, WHICH MEANT
4 THAT THREE OTHER CATEGORIES WENT FROM 15 TO 13 PERCENT. BUT
5 THE TOTAL FUNDING FOR GRANT PROJECTS WENT UP BY .8 PERCENT TO
6 77.8. SO, WHAT WE PROPOSE TO YOU TODAY IS 77.8 TO PROJECTS. WE
7 WERE INITIALLY SAYING 8 PERCENT TO INNOVATION AND STRATEGIC
8 PLANNING AND OVERSIGHT OF THE DISTRICT. THAT'S BEEN REDUCED TO
9 7.2 PERCENT. SO, BASED ON THE FEEDBACK FROM THE VARIOUS
10 COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS, WE'VE INCREASED THE AMOUNT THAT GOES
11 BACK DIRECTLY TO EACH STUDY AREA THROUGH MAINTENANCE AND
12 SERVICING AND CATEGORY 1, THE ALLOCATIONS, REACHES 50 PERCENT
13 OF THE TOTAL FUNDING. HOW MUCH REVENUE WILL 1-1/2 CENTS
14 GENERATE? \$94.5 MILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY. AND HOW MUCH WILL
15 THE AVERAGE HOMEOWNER PAY IF A 1,500 SQUARE-FOOT HOUSE? THE
16 ANNUAL TAX BILL WOULD BE \$22.50 A YEAR. SO, THAT'S ALL I HAVE
17 FOR YOU THIS MORNING.

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19 **JOHN WICKER:** AT THIS POINT, SUPERVISORS, I'D LIKE TO ASK THE
20 INTERIM DIRECTOR, CYNTHIA HARDING, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
21 PUBLIC HEALTH. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE HER.

22

23 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I
24 WANT TO MAKE A FEW BRIEF COMMENTS ON THE CONNECTION BETWEEN
25 PARKS AND PUBLIC HEALTH. EXPANSION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION



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1 INFRASTRUCTURE HAS IMMENSE POTENTIAL TO IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH.
2 WE KNOW FROM RESEARCH STUDIES THAT THE AVAILABILITY OF PARKS
3 AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS CAN HELP COMMUNITY MEMBERS BECOME
4 MORE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE, WHICH, IN TURN, REDUCES RISKS FOR
5 OBESITY, DIABETES, HEART DISEASE, AND OTHER KINDS OF CANCERS.
6 AND IN ADDITION, WE KNOW THAT PHYSICAL ACTIVITY HAS IMMENSE
7 BENEFITS FOR MENTAL HEALTH. WE'VE SEEN FROM OUR PARKS AFTER
8 DARK PROGRAM IN THE COUNTY THAT INCREASING ACCESS TO PARKS AND
9 RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS CAN BE AN IMPORTANT TOOL TO REDUCE
10 VIOLENCE IN COMMUNITIES. AND WE'VE ALSO SEEN THAT PARKS CAN BE
11 AN IMPORTANT VENUE FOR PROVIDING OUTREACH TO HELP LINK
12 COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO MANY OF THE COUNTY SERVICES AND OTHER
13 COMMUNITY SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE. AND FOR ALL OF THESE
14 REASONS, WE STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT AN INVESTMENT IN PARKS AND
15 REC IS AN INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC HEALTH. WE RECENTLY PUBLISHED A
16 REPORT, PARKS AND PUBLIC HEALTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH
17 WE SENT TO EACH OF YOUR OFFICES AND IS ON OUR WEBSITE, AND IT
18 SERVES AS A COMPLIMENT TO THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT THE PARKS
19 AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT DID. OUR FINDINGS IN OUR REPORT SHOW
20 THAT L.A. COUNTY IS RELATIVELY PARK-POOR COMPARED TO MANY
21 OTHER URBAN JURISDICTIONS IN THE UNITED STATES. AND CITIES AND
22 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTY WITH LESS PARK SPACE ON AVERAGE
23 HAVE HIGHER RATES OF PREMATURE DEATH FROM HEART DISEASE AND
24 STROKE AND HIGHER RATES OF CHILDHOOD OBESITY THAN CITIES AND
25 COMMUNITIES WITH MORE PARK SPACE. AND A DISPROPORTIONATELY



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1 HIGH PERCENTAGE OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND LATINOS LIVE IN
2 CITIES AND COMMUNITIES WITH LESS PARK SPACE PER CAPITA. THESE
3 FINDINGS SUGGEST THAT THE PRIORITIZATION OF RESOURCES FOR PARK
4 EXPANSION IN PARK-POOR COMMUNITIES COULD BE AN IMPORTANT
5 STRATEGY FOR HELPING TO REDUCE THE LARGE DISPARITIES IN HEALTH
6 OUTCOMES THAT EXIST ACROSS OUR COUNTY. AND SO, FOR THESE
7 REASONS, WE SUPPORT THE PARKS AND RECREATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS
8 THAT INCLUDE A NEEDS-BASED APPROACH FOR FUTURE PARKS
9 EXPANSION, AS SUGGESTED BY THEIR NEEDS ASSESSMENT REPORT. AND
10 WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO COLLABORATE WITH THE PARKS
11 AND REC DEPARTMENT AS THEY IMPLEMENT THIS.

12

13 **JOHN WICKER:** THANK YOU, CYNTHIA. NOW I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE TO
14 YOU DR. RICHARD BERNARD. HE WAS ONE OF OUR CONSULTANTS THAT
15 CONDUCTED SOME OF THE POLLING FOR PARKS THAT'S BEEN DONE. SO,
16 IF YOU COULD JUST GIVE US A SUMMARY?

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18 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** WELL, SURE. AND I BELIEVE THERE'S A MEMO
19 THAT WILL BE PASSED AROUND TO EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS AND ONE
20 TO THE CLERK. GOOD AFTERNOON. WE CONDUCTED A TELEPHONE SURVEY,
21 LANDLINE AND CELL PHONES, OF LIKELY NOVEMBER 2016 VOTERS
22 BETWEEN JUNE 1ST AND THE 8TH OF THIS YEAR. HALF THE SAMPLE
23 HEARD A 3-CENT PER SQUARE FOOT OF IMPROVEMENT OF DEVELOPED
24 PROPERTY; THE OTHER HALF HEARD THE 1-1/2 CENT. AND AS WE WENT
25 DOWN THROUGH THE SURVEY, THE SAME PEOPLE HEARD THE 3 AND THE



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1 SAME PEOPLE HEARD THE 1-1/2. SO, THERE WAS NO BIAS OF
2 NEGOTIATING FROM ONE NUMBER TO THE OTHER. LIKE THE 2015 SURVEY
3 THAT WE DID IN DECEMBER ON BEHALF OF THE PARKS, WE FOUND THAT
4 THERE IS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE MEASURE, PARTICULARLY AFTER
5 EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED ABOUT WHAT THE MEASURE
6 WILL ACTUALLY DO. WE ALSO FOUND THAT THERE ARE NO STATISTICAL
7 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE 3-CENT AND THE 1-1/2 CENT IN TERMS OF
8 SUPPORT. THE LEVEL WAS VIRTUALLY THE SAME. AMONG THE MANY
9 FEATURES WE TESTED, 15 FEATURES RECEIVED 71 PERCENT OR HIGHER
10 IN TERMS OF IMPORTANCE, EITHER EXTREMELY OR VERY IMPORTANT TO
11 L.A. COUNTY VOTERS, AND THEY INCLUDED ENSURING THAT THERE IS
12 SAFE DRINKING WATER AT PARKS -- OBVIOUSLY A REFLECTION OF THE
13 INFORMATION WE KNOW ABOUT FLINT, MICHIGAN -- REDUCED GANG
14 ACTIVITY, AND PROTECTING BEACHES, RIVERS AND WATER RESOURCES
15 AND PARKS AND AROUND OPEN SPACE, TO NAME JUST A FEW. THE MAJOR
16 REASONS FOR SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE -- AND THIS IS, AGAIN,
17 CONSISTENT WITH THE NOVEMBER NOVEMBER 2015 SURVEY -- IS PEOPLE
18 SUPPORTED WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS THAT ARE DONE THROUGH THE
19 PARKS TO SWAP OUT GRASS AND LAWNS WHERE THERE AREN'T PLAYING
20 FIELDS FOR CALIFORNIA-FRIENDLY PLANTS, AND OTHER WATER
21 RESOURCES, WATER-CONSERVATION EFFORTS. IT ALSO INCLUDES
22 KEEPING KIDS OFF THE STREET AND OUT OF TROUBLE. THAT WAS VERY,
23 VERY IMPORTANT, AND IT'S BEEN CONSISTENT IN ALL THE RESEARCH
24 THAT WE'VE SEEN ON PARKS. AND THEY SUPPORTED REPAIRS AND
25 UPGRADES TO THE AGING AND, IN SOME CASES, DEGENERATING PARK



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1 AND RECREATION CENTERS. THEY WANT TO GET RID OF THE MOLD, THE
2 LEAD PAINT, ASBESTOS, ET CETERA. AND, FINALLY, WE GAVE THEM A
3 FORCED CHOICE, AND WE SAID, WHICH OF THE TWO COMES CLOSEST TO
4 YOUR OPINION? AND ONE WAS A STATEMENT THAT REVENUES FROM THE
5 PARKS MEASURE SHOULD FIRST GO TO COMMUNITIES WITH THE GREATEST
6 NEEDS FOR REPAIRS AND UPGRADES, OR ALL DISTRICTS SHOULD JUST
7 NATURALLY GET THE SAME, PRETTY MUCH THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY.
8 AND 51 PERCENT CHOSE THOSE FOLKS WHO ARE IN NEED AS THE
9 PRIORITY, AND IT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE NEEDS REPORT. AND
10 THAT'S THE MAJOR FINDINGS.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE WANT TO HEAR FROM THE OTHER.

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14 **JOHN WICKER:** YES, WE ALSO HAVE SHAKARI BYERLY WITH US AS WELL,
15 FROM BINDER.

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17 **SHAKARI BYERLY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE
18 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE TODAY. DAVID BINDER RESEARCH ALONG WITH
19 EVITARUS, MY COMPANY, HAS CONDUCTED THREE SEPARATE SURVEYS FOR
20 THE COUNTY, THE MOST RECENT OF WHICH WAS CONDUCTED FROM JUNE
21 18TH, JUNE 26TH EXPLORING VOTER SUPPORT FOR FUNDING FOR
22 HOMELESSNESS SERVICES, PARKS, AND THOSE TWO MEASURES
23 SPECIFICALLY FOR THE NOVEMBER 2017 BALLOT, AS WELL AS RESEARCH
24 CONDUCTED AMONG VOTERS WHO ARE LIKELY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE



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1 MARCH 2017 BALLOT. SO, I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS
2 RELATED TO THAT RESEARCH THAT THE SUPERVISORS MAY HAVE.

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4 **JOHN WICKER:** OKAY, GREAT, AND THAT COMPLETES ALL OF OUR
5 PRESENTERS AT THIS POINT. SO, WE'RE ALL OPEN FOR ANY QUESTIONS
6 AT THIS POINT, SUPERVISORS.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO JUST START,
9 SINCE WE HAVE OUR POLLSTERS HERE, IS TO START WITH MR.
10 BERNARD. IF YOU COULD GIVE US AN IDEA OF WHAT FINANCE
11 MECHANISMS THAT YOU TESTED FOR ON THE PARKS MEASURE.

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13 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** WELL, THIS TIME AROUND, IT WAS SQUARE
14 FOOTAGE OF IMPROVEMENT OF DEVELOPED PROPERTY. AND WE TESTED IT
15 AT THE 1-1/2 AND THE 3-CENT. AND, AGAIN, THERE WERE NO
16 STATISTICAL DIFFERENCES. YOU'LL REMEMBER THAT WE TESTED A FLAT
17 PARCEL TAX FOR THE 2014 ELECTION. THE MARGIN OF ERROR
18 SUGGESTED IF THERE WAS AN EFFECTIVE EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH, THAT
19 IT MAY HAVE PASSED. BUT AS MOST PEOPLE KNOW, THERE WASN'T
20 ENOUGH MONEY RAISED TO BE ABLE TO MOVE IN THAT DIRECTION.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND, THEN, IF YOU COULD TELL US, YOU
23 KNOW, JUST IN PERCENTAGE OR NUMERICAL NUMBERS, WHAT THE
24 SUPPORT LEVELS WERE.

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1 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** SURE, HAPPY TO DO THAT. ON THE INITIAL
2 VOTE, ON THE 3-CENT, 70 PERCENT SAID YES. ON THE 1-1/2, IT WAS
3 69 PERCENT. SO STATISTICALLY NOT DIFFERENT. THEN, AGAIN, AFTER
4 EDUCATION, THERE WERE NO STATISTICAL DIFFERENCES. SO,
5 EFFECTIVELY, WE WERE AT ABOUT 75-PERCENT SUPPORT. BUT THAT WAS
6 WITH A WELL-FUNDED OUTSIDE EFFORT. AND, OF COURSE, IT'S A TWO-
7 THIRDS MEASURE, SO IT WAS BEYOND THE MARGIN OF ERROR.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THEN, WHAT WERE SOME OF THE ITEMS
10 THAT VOTERS SAID WERE IMPORTANT TO BE INCLUDED?

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12 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** SURE. IN ADDITION TO WHAT I'VE ALREADY
13 SAID, WHICH WAS SAFE DRINKING WATER AT PARKS AND RECREATION
14 CENTERS AND REDUCED GANGS AND PROTECTION OF VARIOUS WATER
15 RESOURCES, VOTERS ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT PROTECTING BEACHES
16 AND RIVERS, KEEPING NEIGHBORHOOD RECREATION AND SENIOR CENTERS
17 SAFE -- THERE'S A LOT OF FOCUS ON SAFETY -- AND ENSURING SAFE
18 PLACES FOR KIDS TO PLAY AND REMOVING ASBESTOS, MOLD, LEAD
19 PAINT FROM AGING RECREATION CENTERS ARE AMONG THE TOP ONES.
20 SO, BASIC THINGS, JUST REPAIRS, UPGRADES. NO ONE IS ASKING FOR
21 ANYTHING EXTRAVAGANT. THEY JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE IT'S WELL-
22 MAINTAINED.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE KNOW THAT IN THE FIRST NEEDS
25 ASSESSMENT, JUST BASED UPON THE INVOLVEMENT OF OUR COMMUNITIES



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1 AROUND THE COUNTY, THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT INDIVIDUALS LET US
2 KNOW THAT THEY WANTED TO SEE IMPROVEMENTS WAS ABOUT \$21
3 BILLION, WAS IT?

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5 **JOHN WICKER:** \$21 BILLION, SUPERVISOR.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** \$21 BILLION. AND IF WE WERE TO MOVE
8 FORWARD WITH THIS PARTICULAR 1-1/2 CENT, WHAT TYPE OF REVENUE
9 ARE WE ASKING FOR? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

10

11 **JOHN WICKER:** IT WOULD BE 1/6 OF THAT, OF THE \$21 BILLION.
12 SO... IT WOULD BE, YEAH, ABOUT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN \$5 AND \$6
13 BILLION OVER THE COURSE OF THE MEASURE.

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHICH WOULD BE AS APPROXIMATED ON THE
16 35-YEAR?

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18 **JOHN WICKER:** 35 YEARS.

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BASED UPON WHAT WE HAVE WRITTEN UP?
21 IS THAT CORRECT?

22

23 **JOHN WICKER:** HERE, I'VE GOT THE EXACT HERE, SUPERVISOR: OVER
24 35 YEARS, IT'S \$3.2 BILLION.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OOH, THAT'S SHORTER. SO, WE'RE REALLY
2 BEING PRETTY FISCALLY CONSERVATIVE HERE, GIVEN THAT WE
3 ACTUALLY HAVE SUPPORT TO GO TO 3 CENTS. WE ACTUALLY MADE THAT
4 REDUCTION, BECAUSE BASED ON THE CONCERNS THAT MANY OF US
5 HEARD, WE DID THAT. WE ALSO, AT THE BEGINNING, THOUGHT THAT WE
6 WOULD TRY TO GO ON AS FAR AS WE COULD, BUT OBVIOUSLY THAT'S
7 NOT GOING TO HAPPEN, AND WE PUT A TIMELINE ON IT, 35 YEARS.
8 AND WE KNOW THAT THE ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT OUT THERE SEEMS TO
9 BE STABILIZED. IT'S THERE. AND I KNOW THAT WHAT I HAVE HEARD,
10 AT LEAST IN MY DISTRICT, IT'S REALLY MORE ABOUT MAINTAINING,
11 PROVIDING THE INFRASTRUCTURE, AND HOPEFULLY HAVING STAFF AT
12 SOME OF THESE PARKS. I KNOW IN SOME OF THE PARKS THAT I
13 CURRENTLY SERVE IN MY AREA, WE DON'T HAVE SUFFICIENT STAFF.
14 THE HOURS ARE NOT THERE. AND THERE ARE OBVIOUSLY FEES THAT
15 HAVE TO BE PAID FOR ACTIVITIES, AND THAT ISN'T ALWAYS
16 UNDERSTOOD WELL BY MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT I'VE COME TO
17 LEARN. BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT PEOPLE THAT HAVE TOLD ME RECENTLY
18 IS THAT SAFETY, LIGHTING, AND STAFF ARE VERY IMPORTANT. THEY
19 JUST WANT TO HAVE A PLACE TO ATTEND TO. AND I KNOW THAT THAT -
20 - THAT THIS IS ASKING PERHAPS A LOT FOR SOME PEOPLE, BECAUSE
21 IN NOVEMBER WE HAVE MANY ITEMS. I THINK THERE ARE MORE THAN A
22 DOZEN OR SO, MAYBE 17, I THINK, IF I RECALL READING IN THE
23 L.A. TIMES THAT THE STATE ALONE WILL HAVE, BEFORE THEY EVEN
24 GET TO, SAY, THE COUNTY. BUT NONETHELESS, GIVEN YOUR WORK THAT



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1 THE PARKS AND REC AND OUR STAFF HAVE DONE, YOU SPENT 18 MONTHS
2 OUT IN THE FIELD HOSTING OVER CLOSE TO A HUNDRED AND...

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4 **JOHN WICKER:** IT WAS 144 COMMUNITY MEETINGS.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND HOW MANY PEOPLE OVERALL ATTENDED
7 THOSE MEETINGS?

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9 **JOHN WICKER:** WE HAVE OUR CONSULTANT HERE FROM PLACEWORKS, AS
10 WELL. DAVID, IF YOU COULD COME ON OUT AND JOIN US FOR A MINUTE
11 HERE. OH, HERE WE GO.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IF YOU COULD JUST GIVE US SOME RAW
14 NUMBERS IN TERMS OF THE GEOGRAPHIC BUT ALSO WHERE, WHERE THESE
15 TOWN HALLS OR WHAT THE FORUMS THAT WERE HELD.

16

17 **DAVID EARLY:** THANK YOU. I'M DAVID EARLY WITH PLACEWORKS, AND
18 WE DID HELP TO OVERSEE THE WORKSHOPS. I WANT TO SAY VERY
19 CLEARLY THAT THE WORKSHOPS WERE ACTUALLY CONDUCTED BY ALL OUR
20 CITY AND LOCAL PARTNERS, THE 88 INDIVIDUAL CITIES AND THE
21 COUNTY. THERE WAS NO INDIVIDUAL PERSON, OF COURSE, WHO
22 ATTENDED ALL 178 WORKSHOPS. BUT THEY WERE EVERY CITY IN THE
23 COUNTY, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 10, DECIDED TO HOLD A WORKSHOP.
24 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WERE
25 INCREDIBLY COOPERATIVE IN MANAGING OVER 40 WORKSHOPS EACH. AND



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1 WE DID HAVE SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED THOSE 178
2 WORKSHOPS.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SEVERAL THOUSAND.

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6 **DAVID EARLY:** SO, IT WAS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WITH VERY BROAD
7 PARTICIPATION.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT IF I
10 COULD MAYBE PUT THIS IN A FRAMEWORK FOR SOME OF THE PEOPLE IN
11 THE AUDIENCE, SOME PEOPLE MAY RECALL THAT BACK IN 2014 COMING
12 OFF A LOSING MEASURE, THAT WAS PROP P, THERE WASN'T A LOT OF
13 GROUNDWORK DONE THE WAY THAT THIS EFFORT HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN
14 FOR THE LAST 18 MONTHS, AND OBVIOUSLY A LOT OF PARTICIPATION
15 FROM OUR LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES AS WELL AS GROUPS OUT IN THE
16 AUDIENCE BUT OUT IN THE OVERALL COUNTY. AND I THINK ONE OF THE
17 THINGS THAT REALLY CAUGHT MY ATTENTION WHEN I GOT ON THE BOARD
18 WAS THAT THIS WHOLE IDEA OF BRINGING BACK THIS MEASURE BUT
19 MAKING SURE THAT PLACES LIKE THE FIRST AND THE SECOND DISTRICT
20 REALLY HAD A CHANCE TO HAVE OUR NEEDS ASSESSED. AND I KNOW
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND RIDLEY-THOMAS WERE VERY ADAMANT
22 ABOUT THAT. AND I AGREED WITH THAT, QUITE FRANKLY, BECAUSE I
23 HEARD IN SO MANY INSTANCES THAT THE FIRST DISTRICT WAS
24 SHORTCHANGED. AND FOR WHATEVER REASON. THAT WAS AN ENTIRELY
25 DIFFERENT BOARD. BUT HERE WAS AN OPPORTUNITY NOW TO HELP TO



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1 MAKE THE DIFFERENCE. AND SO, AFTER ALL THESE MEETINGS AND THE
2 ASSESSMENT AND WHAT HAVE YOU, I THINK WE'VE COME TO A
3 DIFFERENT PLACE NOW. OBVIOUSLY, THE VOTER ATTITUDE OUT THERE
4 HAS CHANGED, BUT WE HAVE TO BE VERY FISCALLY AWARE OF WHAT'S
5 GOING ON AND HOW TO MANAGE THESE EXPECTATIONS, BECAUSE
6 OBVIOUSLY THE NEED IS VERY GREAT AND WE CAN'T FULFILL THE \$21
7 BILLION. BUT PERHAPS GOING AT THIS LOWER PENNY AND A HALF, FOR
8 PETE'S SAKE, WHAT DOES THAT AMOUNT TO FOR THE AVERAGE VOTER?
9 ONE LATTE IN A MONTH AT STARBUCKS?

10

11 **JOHN WICKER:** BASED ON THE AVERAGE 1,500 SQUARE FOOT HOME, IT
12 AMOUNTS TO \$22.50 A YEAR, SUPERVISOR.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WOW.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THAT'S DIFFERENT THIS IS A CUMULATIVE. THIS IS
17 NOT A ONE-TIME DEAL. IF THAT WAS THE ONLY PLACE, THAT WOULD BE
18 A LEGITIMATE ARGUMENT. BUT YOU'VE GOT METRO, THE FOREVER TAX,
19 YOU'VE GOT THIS, YOU'VE GOT HOMELESSNESS, YOU'VE GOT OTHER
20 CITIES DOING THEIR OWN INFRASTRUCTURE TAXES. SO, IT'S NOT JUST
21 ONE LATTE. IT'S AN ENTIRE STARBUCKS FRANCHISE. [LAUGHTER.] AT
22 EVERY CORNER. [APPLAUSE.]

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELL, BUT I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW,
25 AGAIN, I JUST HAVE TO SAY THAT WHEN YOU PUT THIS IN COMPARISON



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1 TO OTHER ITEMS, AND I CERTAINLY WANT TO BE ON RECORD AS
2 SUPPORTING THE MEASURE R, TOO, TRANSPORTATION, BECAUSE WE DID
3 VOTE AS A BOARD ON THAT. SOME OF US VOTED IN FAVOR OF THAT.
4 SO, I THINK THAT WHERE WE ARE IS WE'RE AT A DIFFERENT PLACE.
5 AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE STAFF. I WANT TO THANK
6 ESPECIALLY JOHN WICKER FOR YOUR COURAGE, BUT ALSO NORMA
7 GARCIA, WHO IS HERE ON YOUR STAFF, WHO DID AN OUTSTANDING
8 JOB.. [APPLAUSE.] ..HELPING TO CONVENE TWO OR THREE MEETINGS
9 WITH SOME OF OUR CITY MANAGERS IN THE AREAS THAT I REPRESENT
10 AND OTHERS, BECAUSE PEOPLE DIDN'T QUITE UNDERSTAND WHAT IT
11 MEANT TO TAKE ON PROJECTS THAT COULD BE REWARDED BECAUSE OF
12 THEIR EFFORTS TO WORK AS A REGION. AND BECAUSE WE HAVE SUCH
13 LIMITED DOLLARS, I THINK THAT WAS SO IMPORTANT TO EXPLAIN,
14 THAT IF YOU HAVE A BENEFIT, FOR EXAMPLE, LIKE IN MY DISTRICT,
15 LIKE A SANTA FE DAM THAT SERVICSE NOT JUST THE FIRST DISTRICT,
16 IT GOES UP, IT CREEPS UP TO THE FIFTH DISTRICT, TO THE THIRD
17 DISTRICT, TO THE FOURTH DISTRICT, TO THE SECOND DISTRICT,
18 BECAUSE IT IS COMPLETELY A DIFFERENT EXPERIENCE TO GO TO
19 PUDDINGSTONE PARK, IN AND OF ITSELF, RAGING, WHATEVER IT IS,
20 WATERS, ALL OF THAT. THAT IS A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE. TO GO TO
21 SOME OF OUR BEACHES, THAT I REMEMBER, AS A CHILD, THAT WAS THE
22 ONLY OUTLET THAT I COULD HAVE TO GO TO THE BEACH, GO WITH THE
23 PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT IN YOUR LOCAL CITY THAT WOULD TAKE
24 YOU OUT TO THE COUNTY BEACHES. AND AT THAT TIME, THE BEACHES
25 WERE FREE, RIGHT? I MEAN, YOU'D HAVE TO PAY FOR PARKING IF YOU



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1 WENT IN THE BUS, SO, GOOD FOR US, PAID 50 CENTS TO GET ON THAT
2 BUS. BUT IT WAS A WORTHWHILE EXPERIENCE TO HAVE FOR THE REST
3 OF THE SUMMER, FOR A KID FROM A LANDLOCKED AREA IN LA PUENTE,
4 AND WHERE YOU DON'T HAVE PARKS AND WHERE YOU DON'T HAVE POOLS,
5 SUFFICIENT POOLS RIGHT NOW. IN FACT THE RATIO OF PARKS THERE,
6 MY UNDERSTANDING, FROM MY STAFF AND OUR ANALYSIS, IS THAT WE
7 ARE ONE OF THE MOST PARK-POOR AREAS IN OUR FIRST DISTRICT,
8 WHICH ENCOMPASSES THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, EAST LOS ANGELES,
9 THE SOUTH GATE, THE SOUTHEAST CITIES. AND PEOPLE ARE REALLY
10 LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT BECAUSE OF THE CHRONIC ILLNESSES THAT
11 WE HEAR ABOUT THAT CAN HELP BE ADDRESSED BY PEOPLE EXERCISING,
12 SENIORS THAT USE THE OUTDOOR ACTIVITY FITNESS FACILITIES THAT
13 ARE THERE, THE SPLASH PADS THAT MEAN SO MUCH TO THESE YOUNG
14 KIDS THAT CAN'T GO TO A POOL IN THEIR AREA BECAUSE THERE ISN'T
15 ONE, BUT THAT MEANS THE WORLD TO THEM. AND I JUST THINK THAT
16 IT'S TIME FOR US TO MOVE ON IN A DIRECTION THAT SAYS THAT THE
17 BOARD HAS COME TO AN AGREEMENT THAT THIS IS A PRIORITY FOR US,
18 JUST AS OTHER ISSUES ARE. I DO WANT TO SAY THIS, THOUGH. I
19 WANT TO THANK SOME PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE, BECAUSE THEY HAVE
20 BEEN WITH US FOR THE 18 MONTHS AND PROBABLY EVEN BEFORE THAT
21 TO HELP US MOVE THIS ITEM ALONG. AND I WANT TO THANK THE
22 PREVENTION INSTITUTE, THE L.A. NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST, HEAL
23 THE BAY, PACOIMA BEAUTIFUL, THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND, NATURAL
24 RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, SCOPE LOS ANGELES, THE BROTHERHOOD
25 CRUSADE, THE SURF FINDER FOUNDATION, SCOPE LOS ANGELES, THE



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1 TREE PEOPLE, LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS, THE SAN GABRIEL
2 VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS, THE COUNCIL FOR MEXICAN
3 FEDERATIONS, THE COUNCIL FOR WATERSHED HEALTH, AND FROM LOTS
4 OF SPOTS, DAY ONE, AND THE Y.M.C.A., JUST TO NAME A FEW, AND A
5 COUPLE OF OTHER FOLKS, OUR FRIENDS. I REMEMBER COULD GO ON AND
6 ON. WE HAVE ACADEMICIANS THAT ARE HERE. AND I SAID EARLIER ON
7 THE EIGHTH FLOOR TO SOME OF THEM, I MENTIONED WHO THEY ARE, I
8 WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR DILIGENCE AND THEIR WORK, BECAUSE
9 A LOT OF IT IS BASED ON DATA. WHAT DOES IT MEAN? WHAT ARE THE
10 OUTCOMES FOR OUR COMMUNITIES, FOR PEOPLE DOWN THE LINE? AND
11 HOW CAN WE HELP SAVE LIVES, KEEP PEOPLE HEALTHY? HERE'S ONE
12 COST-EFFECTIVE WAY OF DOING IT IF YOU'RE ONLY SPENDING \$24 A
13 MONTH -- OR A YEAR, WHATEVER IT WAS. IT'S CRAZY. A YEAR, \$24 A
14 YEAR. MAYBE YOU TAKE THREE PEOPLE A YEAR TO MCDONALD'S ON
15 THAT, IF YOU'RE LUCKY. I'M GOING TO ALLOW OTHER MEMBERS TO
16 SPEAK, AND THEN I WILL MOVE FORWARD ON OUR MOTION. SUPERVISOR
17 KUEHL, WHO I REALLY WANT TO THANK, BECAUSE HER LONG-STANDING
18 COMMITMENT TO NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENT.
19 [APPLAUSE.] WHEN WE GOT TO THE BOARD, WE LOOKED AT EACH OTHER
20 AND WE SAID: PARKS.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** OKAY, WE WORE OTHER GREEN JACKETS TODAY, SO
23 YOU CAN SEE. I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THIS. I GREW UP IN L.A.
24 NEAR THE COLISEUM, LANDLOCKED. WE WERE VERY LUCKY THAT THE
25 COLISEUM WAS KIND OF A PARK, SORT OF, IF YOU DIDN'T MIND THE



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1 THORNS IN THE ROSE GARDEN. BUT IT'S MORE -- I WAS THINKING
2 ABOUT THIS WHOLE STARBUCKS FRANCHISE THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE
3 TALKED ABOUT. I'M A STARBUCKS FAN, OKAY, AND THIS IS LIKE
4 PAYING A FIXED AMOUNT, LIKE \$22 A YEAR, AND WALKING INTO ANY
5 STARBUCKS AND GETTING ANYTHING YOU WANT, FOREVER, BECAUSE THE
6 PARKS ARE FREE, THE BEACHES ARE FREE, THE LIBRARIES ARE FREE.
7 [APPLAUSE.] THIS IS THE WHOLE POINT TO ME, ONE OF THE MAIN
8 POINTS OF GOVERNMENT. THEY TALK ABOUT US TAXING AND SPENDING.
9 THAT'S WHAT I USED TO HEAR ABOUT DEMOCRATS AND MAYBE STILL DO.
10 AND I PROUDLY SUPPORT TAXING AND SPENDING. WHY? BECAUSE PEOPLE
11 TAX THEMSELVES. THIS IS A VOTE -- WE'RE NOT DOING IT -- IF WE
12 VOTE TO PUT SOMETHING ON THE BALLOT. SO, THE NOTION IS IF I
13 WANT TO TAX MYSELF FOR PARKS, IF I WANT TO TAX MYSELF TO HELP
14 HOMELESS PEOPLE, IF I WANT TO TAX MYSELF TO HAVE A WORLD-CLASS
15 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, I WILL DO THAT. AND IF ENOUGH ARE LIKE
16 ME, WE WILL HAVE ALL THREE. I'M TIRED OF HEARING ABOUT THINGS
17 SAYING YOU CAN HAVE THIS BUT YOU CAN'T DO THAT, OR, DO YOU
18 WANT TO DO THIS OR DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT? NO. I WANT PEOPLE
19 TO VOTE FOR WHAT THEY THINK THEY WILL SUPPORT AND DO IT. IN
20 TERMS OF A SUNSET, I WANTED TO ASK THE POLLSTERS. I DON'T KNOW
21 WHETHER THIS WAS TESTED --

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CAN PEOPLE PLEASE QUIET DOWN SO WE
24 CAN HEAR?

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I KNOW YOU'RE EXCITED. THANK YOU. WAS THERE
2 ANY QUESTION THAT COMPARED A MEASURE WITH A SUNSET, NOT WITH A
3 SUNSET, AND HOW THE VOTERS RESPONDED TO THAT?

4

5 **JOHN WICKER:** NOT IN THE RECENT POLL. IN THE DECEMBER 2015
6 POLL, I BELIEVE, THAT WAS THE CASE. AND TYPICALLY, AT LEAST IN
7 L.A. COUNTY, I HAVE HISTORICALLY FOUND THAT SUNSET CLAUSES
8 DON'T NECESSARILY INCREASE THE VOTE, THAT YOU COULD GET AWAY
9 WITH HAVING A NON-SUNSETTED PROVISION. BUT I ALSO KNOW THAT
10 THERE ARE POLITICAL DYNAMICS THAT OFTEN PREVENT THAT FROM
11 HAPPENING.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** WELL, IT'S INTERESTING TO ME, BECAUSE
14 SOMETIMES A SUNSET IS JUST A WAY TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU COME
15 BACK AND VISIT SOMETHING, AND THAT CAN BE A GOOD THING. I
16 MEAN, WE DID A WHOLE NEEDS ASSESSMENT, AND WE DISCOVERED A
17 GOOD WAY TO ALLOCATE THE MONEY BASED ON NEED BUT ALSO BASED ON
18 PARK-POOR AREAS, ET CETERA. ON THE OTHER HAND, IT'S KIND OF A
19 WAY TO STOP SOMETHING AND MAKE YOU START ALL OVER AGAIN, NOT
20 NECESSARILY IN A POSITIVE WAY, BECAUSE THEN WE CAN, YOU KNOW,
21 STOP IT AGAIN. SO, I'M NOT A BIG FAN OF SUNSETS. I KNOW
22 THERE'S A SUNSET IN THIS. I'LL HAVE TO THINK ABOUT WHAT I WANT
23 TO DO IN THE NEXT 2 HOURS WHILE WE LISTEN TO 120 PEOPLE SPEAK.
24 AND BY THE END OF THAT, I SHOULD PROBABLY KNOW. BUT THANKS TO



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1 CHAIR SOLIS FOR HER STRONG SUPPORT AND, AS I SAID TO YOU THIS
2 MORNING, TO ALL OF YOU.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
5 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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7 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** WHEN YOU DID YOUR POLLING, DID YOU
8 POLL HOW THE VOTERS WOULD RESPOND WITH A STATE BOND PROPOSAL,
9 I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S \$1 TO \$2 BILLION, AND HAVING A LOCAL
10 BOND?

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU MEAN ON HOUSING?

13

14 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** PROPOSAL, AS WELL.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OH, THE BOND. OH, YEAH, YEAH, YEAH.
17 YES, THAT'S CORRECT. YES.

18

19 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** I COULD TELL YOU THAT MY POLLING, BOTH
20 FOR METRO AND THE PARKS DID NOT HAVE STATE MEASURES ON. BUT I
21 DO KNOW THAT MR. STEINBERG'S POLL DID HAVE A FEW OF THE
22 STATEWIDE MEASURES ON.

23

24 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** BUT DID IT HAVE THE STATE BOND FOR
25 PARKS, I MEAN, JUST PARKS, NOT THE OTHER ISSUES THAT THEY'RE



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1 TALKING ABOUT, BECAUSE YOU HAVE TWO PARK PROPOSALS BEFORE THE
2 VOTERS. IS THERE A DIFFERENCE?

3

4 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** RIGHT. I UNDERSTAND. I DON'T KNOW THE
5 ANSWER TO THAT.

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7 **JOHN WICKER:** IT WASN'T INCLUDED, SUPERVISOR. THAT JUST CAME UP
8 RECENTLY WHERE IT WAS MOVED OFF THE SENATE FLOOR OR THE
9 ASSEMBLY -- OFF THE ASSEMBLY FLOOR. I DON'T BELIEVE THEY HAD
10 THAT INFORMATION, SO IT WASN'T INCLUDED AT THAT TIME.

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12 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND WE HAVE BEEN RECEIVING
13 CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE CITIES THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEE IS
14 TOO HIGH AND SHOULD BE REDUCED AND THAT THE PROCESS FOR THE
15 CITIES TO REQUEST FUNDING IS A VERY COMPLEX PROCESS, AND THEY
16 WOULD LIKE TO HAVE, WAS IT 50-PERCENT, 75-PERCENT ACCESS TO
17 THE FUNDS THAT THEY ARE GENERATING. I KNOW WE JUST GOT ANOTHER
18 LETTER TODAY, ALL OF US, AND THOSE QUESTIONS SHOULD BE
19 ANSWERED.

20

21 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** I DON'T BELIEVE ADMINISTRATIVE QUESTIONS
22 WERE ASKED. WE ASKED ACCOUNTABILITY ISSUES. BUT I'M NOT SURE
23 THAT THE AVERAGE VOTER KNOWS THE DETAILS ABOUT ADMINISTRATIVE
24 COSTS TO BE ABLE TO COMFORTABLY ANSWER THE QUESTION.

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THE CITIES ARE CONCERNED THAT THEY'RE
2 RAISING MORE MONEY AND RECEIVING LESS, AND THEN TO GO FOR THAT
3 PORTION THAT'S SET ASIDE IS COSTLY AND COUNTERPRODUCTIVE IN
4 THEM GETTING THEIR NEEDS BEING MET.

5

6 **DR. RICHARD BERNARD:** SUPERVISOR?

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CAN I JUST ANSWER SOME OF THAT? I
9 KNOW THAT WHEN WE HEARD FROM THE LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES, WE
10 ACTUALLY ENCOURAGED STAFF TO GO BACK OUT AGAIN, BECAUSE
11 ORIGINALLY IT WAS SET TO BE A 27-PERCENT RETURN. AND WE HEARD
12 FROM A LOT OF PEOPLE, INCLUDING IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND
13 WE WERE ABLE TO, I THINK, THROUGH YOUR EFFORTS MEETING WITH
14 PEOPLE, MOVE IT UP TO 35 PERCENT.

15

16 **JOHN WICKER:** YES. NOW THE REVISED PLAN DOES CALL FOR 35-
17 PERCENT RETURN, AS WELL AS WE'VE WORKED ON THE MAINTENANCE
18 NUMBERS, AS WELL. AND SO, 15 PERCENT OF THE MAINTENANCE MONEY
19 WILL GO DIRECTLY BACK TO THE CITIES FOR A TOTAL OF 50 PERCENT
20 WILL BE GOING BACK TO THOSE.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO, COULD YOU REITERATE THAT? I WANT
23 TO MAKE CLEAR THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HEARD THAT.

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1 **JOHN WICKER:** SO, NOW WE DID LISTEN TO WHAT THE CITIES WERE
2 SAYING, AND SO WE ADJUSTED OUR NUMBERS FROM OUR MAY 3RD
3 PRESENTATION IN CATEGORY 1, WHICH IS THE PRIMARY MONEY THAT
4 GOES BACK TO THE CITIES AND STUDY AREAS, AND IT WILL BE GOING
5 FROM 27 PERCENT TO 35 PERCENT. AND THEY WILL ALSO BE GETTING
6 DIRECTLY THEIR MAINTENANCE MONEY OF 15 PERCENT. SO AT THIS
7 POINT IN TIME, IT'S 50 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL MONEY WOULD BE
8 GOING BACK TO THE CITIES, AS WELL.

9

10 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW CAROL CHAN'S PRESIDENT OF ONE
11 OF THE LEAGUE OF CITIES GROUPS WHO EMAILED THE BOARD TODAY
12 WITH THOSE CONCERNS. AND SHE'S, WHAT, THE MAYOR, THE PAST
13 MAYOR OF CERRITOS, COUNCILMEMBER OF CERRITOS.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT WE'LL BE HEARING FROM A LOT OF
16 OTHER SPEAKERS REPRESENTING MUNICIPALITIES THAT ARE IN
17 SUPPORT, INCLUDING LOS ANGELES MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI, WHICH IS
18 AMAZING. SO, WITH THAT, IF THERE AREN'T ANY OTHER QUESTIONS,
19 WE HAVE ONE MORE PANEL PRESENTATION. I'D LIKE TO ASK FOR
20 DEBORAH COHEN FROM THE RAND CORPORATION. SHE HAS A FIVE-
21 MINUTE-OR-LESS PRESENTATION. AND THEN WE WILL GO TO OUR
22 SPECIAL LIST OF SPEAKERS. NOW WITH WE CAN DIM THE LIGHTS, FOR
23 YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION, RIGHT? NOW WE CAN TURN THE LIGHTS
24 OUT. AND, WELCOME.

25



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1 **DR. DEBORAH COHEN:** THANK YOU. I HAVE A SLIDE PRESENTATION.
2 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR INVITING ME.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HOLD THE MIC UP.

5

6 **DR. DEBORAH COHEN:** CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY NOW?

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

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10 **DR. DEBORAH COHEN:** I'M DR. DEBORAH COHEN. I'M A PHYSICIAN AND
11 I'M A SENIOR SCIENTIST AT THE RAND CORPORATION AND FOR THE
12 PAST 13 YEARS I'VE DONE RESEARCH ON PARKS AND PUBLIC HEALTH,
13 SPECIFICALLY FOCUSED ON PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, AND THAT'S BECAUSE
14 PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ROUTINE HEALTH
15 BEHAVIORS FOR PEOPLE TO HAVE A LONG LIFE AND TO BE FREE OF
16 CHRONIC DISEASES. CAN I HAVE THE NEXT SLIDE? OR I HAVE A
17 CLICKER? ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. SO, AS YOU HEARD EARLIER,
18 PHYSICAL INACTIVITY IS A BIG PROBLEM. IT'S A RISK FACTOR FOR
19 HEART DISEASE, DIABETES, OSTEOPOROSIS, CANCER. IF YOU PEOPLE
20 ENGAGE IN ROUTINE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, FOR ADULTS, IT'S 150
21 MINUTES A WEEK, CHILDREN, 60 MINUTES A DAY. AND IN THE LONG
22 TERM, IT REDUCES THE RISK OF DEATH BY 28 PERCENT. WE KNOW THAT
23 PEOPLE ARE MORE ACTIVE, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN, WHEN THEY'RE
24 OUTDOORS. AND ADULTS ARE MORE ACTIVE ON DAYS WHEN THEY VISIT
25 PARKS. AND EVEN IF THEY ARE NOT ACTIVE IN A PARK, A LOT OF



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1 PEOPLE GET ACTIVITY JUST WALKING TO AND FROM THE PARK. AS A
2 MENTIONED, I HAVE BEEN STUDYING PARKS FOR MORE THAN A DECADE.
3 WE RIGOROUSLY STUDIED ABOUT 83 PARKS, IN LOS ANGELES, AND NOW
4 WE'RE DOING A NATIONAL STUDY IN 25 CITIES LOOKING AT 174
5 NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS. AND I'M GOING TO SHARE WITH YOU WHAT WE'VE
6 LEARNED. BUT FIRST, I JUST WANT TO EXPLAIN HOW WE COLLECT
7 DATA. WE GO TO EVERY PARK. WE MAP IT. WE DIVIDE IT INTO
8 DIFFERENT TARGET AREAS, LIKE YOU CAN SEE A BASEBALL FIELD
9 MIGHT BE A TARGET AREA, A BASKETBALL PARK, A TENNIS COURT. AND
10 THEN WE SEND FIELD STAFF TO THE PARK, SEVERAL TIMES A DAY,
11 SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK, AND WE COUNT EVERYBODY IN THE PARK,
12 WHERE THEY ARE, AND WHAT THEY ARE DOING. AND WE COUNT THEM BY
13 GENDER, BY AGE GROUP, BY RACE-ETHNICITY, AND ACTIVITY LEVEL,
14 IF THEY'RE SEDENTARY, IN MODERATE, OR IN VIGOROUS ACTIVITY.
15 AND WE'VE LEARNED WHAT PARKS ARE -- CAN HELP PEOPLE BE ACTIVE
16 AND ATTRACT MORE PEOPLE. SO, LARGER PARKS INCREASE MORE PEOPLE
17 COME TO THE PARKS THAT ARE LARGER, SO EVERY ADDITIONAL ACRE,
18 THERE'S 9 PERCENT MORE USERS. WHEN THERE'S MORE PEOPLE THAT
19 LIVE AROUND THE PARKS, EVERY 10,000, THERE'S 13 PERCENT MORE
20 PEOPLE IN THE PARK. WE KNOW THAT PARKS IN HIGHER-INCOME AREAS
21 ARE USED MORE. SO, 10-PERCENT LESS POVERTY IS 14-PERCENT MORE
22 USE. PARKS THAT HAVE MORE FACILITIES ARE USED MORE. AND,
23 REALLY, THE BIGGEST THINGS ARE THE ACTIVITIES. SO, FOR EVERY
24 ADDITIONAL SUPERVISED ACTIVITY, WE SEE 48 PERCENT MORE PARK
25 USERS, AND IF THOSE ACTIVITIES ARE MARKETED, 62 PERCENT MORE



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1 USERS IN A PARK. SO, WHO'S USING PARKS? WELL, THERE ARE
2 DISPARITIES. WE SEE MORE CHILDREN AND TEENS THAN ADULTS AND
3 SENIORS, AND WE SEE MORE MALES THAN FEMALES. IN L.A., IT'S 62
4 PERCENT OF PARK USERS ARE MALE, 37 PERCENT ARE FEMALE, AND
5 THAT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE OF WHAT'S IN PARKS. SO, IF THERE'S
6 ONLY A PLAYGROUND OR A BASKETBALL COURT, IT'S NOT GOING TO
7 APPEAL TO PEOPLE WHO DON'T USE PLAYGROUNDS OR PLAY BASKETBALL.
8 SO, FOR EXAMPLE, PARKS WITH WALKING LOOPS HAVE TWICE AS MANY
9 SENIORS AS PARKS THAT DON'T HAVE THEM. SO, HAVING FACILITIES
10 THAT APPEAL TO A WIDE RANGE OF PEOPLE IS VERY IMPORTANT. WE'VE
11 SURVEYED PARK USERS AND RESIDENTS, ABOUT 28,000 PEOPLE IN LOS
12 ANGELES, AND WE ASKED THEM QUESTIONS: HOW OFTEN THEY USE THE
13 PARK, HOW LONG THEY STAY, WHERE DO THEY USUALLY EXERCISE? AND
14 HERE'S WHAT WE FOUND, THAT ABOUT A THIRD OF RESIDENTS SAY THEY
15 GO TO THEIR LOCAL PARK ONCE A WEEK OR MORE. AND OF THE PARK
16 USERS, PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE PARK, IT'S 81 PERCENT, BECAUSE A
17 LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE HABIT OF USING PARKS, THEY GO
18 SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK AND IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR THEM. HOW
19 LONG THEY STAY, IT'S ABOUT THE SAME. WE'VE INTERVIEWED THEM AT
20 HOME OR IN THE PARK. THE AVERAGE, THEY STAY 1 TO 2 HOURS. AND
21 THE REST ARE STAYING A LITTLE BIT LESS BUT ALSO A LITTLE BIT
22 MORE THAN THAT. WE ASKED THEM WHERE, WHAT IS THE MOST COMMON
23 PLACE FOR YOU TO EXERCISE, AND PARKS IS THE NUMBER-ONE ANSWER.
24 38 PERCENT OF RESIDENTS AND 66 PERCENT OF PARK USERS SAY THEY
25 GO TO THE PARK TO GET THEIR REGULAR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. WE'VE



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1 LOOKED AT PARKS TO STUDY WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE ADD A FITNESS
2 ZONE. WE WENT TO SIX COUNTY PARKS, SIX L.A. CITY PARKS AND
3 MEASURED THE USE BEFORE AND AFTER FITNESS ZONES WERE INSTALLED
4 AND WE FOUND THAT ONCE THEY WERE INSTALLED, THERE WAS A LOT
5 MORE PEOPLE ENGAGED IN MODERATE AND VIGOROUS PHYSICAL
6 ACTIVITY, WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR HEALTH. IN SAN
7 FRANCISCO, WE LOOKED AT PARKS THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND
8 RENOVATED FROM START TO FINISH, AND WE FOUND THAT AFTER A
9 COMPLETE RENOVATION FACE-LIFT, THERE WAS ALMOST A SIXFOLD
10 INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO CAME TO THE PARKS. SO,
11 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR THEIR PUBLIC HEALTH. AND LOOK AT WHAT
12 THE SPENDING IS IN PARKS. YOU KNOW, L.A. IS SPENDING WAY LESS
13 THAN MANY OTHER COMPARABLE CITIES. AND WE HAVE FEWER PARKS
14 WITHIN A HALF A MILE OF THEIR RESIDENCES. WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT
15 IT, IN OUR COUNTRY, WE SPEND OVER \$9,000 PER CAPITA FOR
16 HEALTHCARE EXPENDITURES. WE ARE SPENDING LESS THAN 1 PERCENT
17 OF THAT ON PARKS AND RECREATION WHEN PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, YOU
18 KNOW, RECREATION, IS ABSOLUTELY IMPORTANT TO HEALTH AND COULD
19 POTENTIALLY REDUCE WHAT WE SPEND ON HEALTHCARE. SO, I WANT TO
20 SAY THAT RESEARCH DOES SUPPORT INVESTING MORE IN PARKS AND
21 RECREATION FACILITIES AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND
22 PROGRAMMING, BECAUSE WE NEED PEOPLE TO BE MORE ACTIVE. THEY
23 ARE MORE ACTIVE WHEN THEY VISIT PARKS, SO WE NEED MORE PARKS.
24 THEY'RE MORE ACTIVE WHEN THERE'S MORE FACILITIES. OUR PARKS
25 NEED TO BE UPDATED WITH MORE FACILITIES THAT APPEAL TO MANY



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1 DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS AND GENDERS. AND SO, PARK IMPROVEMENTS
2 COULD ADDRESS DISPARITIES IN PARK USE AND DISPARITIES IN
3 HEALTH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]
6 BEFORE WE GO ON TO OTHER PRESENTERS, I DID WANT TO ENTERTAIN A
7 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MYSELF. AND IT'S AN AMENDMENT.
8 AND IT READS AS FOLLOWS: ADOPT THE 2016 COUNTYWIDE PARKS AND
9 RECREATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT FINAL REPORT --

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, DOES EVERYONE HAVE A COPY OF
12 IT?

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, STAFF? IT IS A MINOR AMENDMENT.
15 BUT LEGALLY, IT HAS TO BE READ IN. SO, AGAIN, IF I MIGHT,
16 "ADOPT THE 2016 COUNTYWIDE PARKS AND RECREATION NEEDS
17 ASSESSMENT FINAL REPORT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM OF THE
18 ATTACHED AND AMEND THE FOLLOWING DEFINITION IN THE ATTACHED
19 RESOLUTION FOR THE SAFE, CLEAN, NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, OPEN
20 SPACE, LOCAL BEACHES, RIVERS, AND WATER-CONSERVATION
21 PROTECTION MEASURE. PER CAPITA AND STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS
22 REFERS TO EACH STUDY AREA'S RESPECTIVE PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL
23 COUNTYWIDE. ONE, POPULATION AS OF THE 2010 CENSUS AND THE
24 SUBSEQUENT UPDATES. TWO, STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS ON PARCELS ON
25 THE SECURED PROPERTY TAX ROLLS ACCORDING TO THE ASSESSOR'S



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1 RECORDS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2017 AND SUBSEQUENT UPDATES AND AMEND
2 SECTION 6 (A) SO THAT IT ADDS AND THE BOARD ADOPTED POLICIES
3 AND PROCEDURES AND ANNUAL WORK PLAN TO BE APPROVED BY THE
4 BOARD. AMEND SECTION 6 (C) AS FOLLOWS. IN EACH OF THE YEARS
5 AFTER THE DATE, THE SPECIAL TAX IS LEVIED AND COLLECTED, THE
6 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURE OF ALL PROCEEDS OF THE SPECIAL TAX
7 SHALL CONFORM TO THE FOLLOWING: CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 5, UP
8 TO 77.8 PERCENT SHALL BE USED FOR GRANT PROJECTS, INCLUDING
9 BUT NOT LIMITED TO PRE-PROJECT ASSISTANCE, PLANNING,
10 ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT IMPROVEMENT, RESTORATION,
11 REHABILITATION, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND PROGRAM OVERSIGHT.
12 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS RESOLUTION, GRANT PROJECTS INCLUDE THE
13 SERVICING OF BONDS, NOTES OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS
14 ISSUED BY THE DISTRICT, COUNTY, AND ADOPT THE ATTACHED
15 RESOLUTION AND TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE STEPS TO PLACE THE SAFE
16 CLEAN NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, OPEN SPACE, LOCAL BEACHES, RIVERS
17 AND WATER-CONSERVATION PROTECTION MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER 8,
18 2016 BALLOT, AUTHORIZING AN ANNUAL SPECIAL TAX ON ALL TAXABLE
19 PROPERTIES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONSISTING OF 0.015,
20 1.5 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT OF STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS ON EACH
21 PARCEL TO BE LEVIED FOR 35 YEARS, COMMENCING IN FISCAL YEAR
22 2017-18 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2051-52." THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR
23 KUEHL.
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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** MADAME CHAIR AND COUNTY COUNSEL, WOULD THIS
2 BE THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO OFFER A SUBSTITUTE MOTION WITH A
3 SMALL CHANGE?

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5 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** HAS PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS MATTER
6 CONCLUDED?

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** NO, PUBLIC COMMENT HAS NOT CONCLUDED.

9

10 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** OKAY. YOU COULD, SUPERVISOR. YOU COULD
11 PUT IT ON THE FLOOR AT THIS POINT.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** PUT IT ON THE FLOOR, NOT FOR A VOTE AT THIS
14 MOMENT.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. WE'RE JUST ANNOUNCING IT.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** BUT I THINK PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD CONSIDER
19 -- I MEAN, IT DOESN'T MEAN IT WOULD HAPPEN, BUT...

20

21 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** CORRECT.

22

23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO, I'D LIKE TO MOVE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION
24 WITH EXACTLY THE SAME LANGUAGE AS PROPOSED, EXCEPT IN NUMBER
25 3, TO REMOVE THE REFERRAL TO A SUNSET. SO, I BELIEVE THAT



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1 WOULD MEAN THE LAST PART OF THE SENTENCE WOULD SIMPLY BE
2 REMOVED.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. AND, MADAME... YEAH, RIGHT.
5 AND, MADAME CHAIR, WITH RESPECT TO ITEM 2 AS YOU READ THE
6 AMENDMENT, THERE IS A CONCERN ABOUT OVERSIGHT AND THE EXTENT
7 TO WHICH THE BOARD ITSELF WILL HAVE THE FINAL APPROVAL OF ANY
8 AND ALL OF THE EXPENDITURES. I THINK THERE WAS AN ATTEMPT TO
9 STRENGTHEN THAT UNDERSTANDING SO AS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
10 ACCOUNTABILITY ULTIMATELY RESTS WITH THE BOARD. IT DOES NOT
11 REPLACE ANY PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATIONS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS.
12 IT ESSENTIALLY DOESN'T VEST THE FINAL AUTHORITY WITH ANY
13 ENTITY OTHER THAN THE BOARD ITSELF. AS IS ARTICULATED IN THE
14 DOCUMENT, WHICH IS THE MORE EXTENSIVE RESOLUTION ITSELF, THE
15 MULTI-PAGE RESOLUTION, BUT AS RELATES TO YOUR MOTION WHERE YOU
16 ARE ADDRESSING THAT, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT WE SHOULD ADD
17 THE LANGUAGE "AND SUBJECT TO THE BOARD-ADOPTED POLICIES AND
18 PROCEDURES AND ANNUAL WORK PLAN." I THINK THAT JUST FASTENS IT
19 DOWN A BIT MORE, MADAME CHAIR, YOU KNOW PRECISELY WHERE I'M
20 REFERRING TO? SO THAT EVERYTHING THAT IS DONE WILL BE REVIEWED
21 BY THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AS IS RECOMMENDED. BUT ULTIMATELY,
22 IT HAS TO BE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD IN THE CONTEXT OF OUR BOARD
23 HEARINGS AND PROCESSES. THAT WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO YOUR
24 AMENDING LANGUAGE.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I HAVE NO --

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3 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO, LET ME ASK COUNTY COUNSEL. SINCE WE
4 HAVE A PROPOSED ORDINANCE HERE TO PUT ON THE BALLOT, DO WE --
5 DOES MY SUBSTITUTE MOTION NEED TO INCLUDE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
6 THOMAS'S RECOMMENDATION SO THAT THERE'S ONE SUBSTITUTE MOTION?

7

8 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** WE COULD DO IT THAT WAY, SUPERVISOR, OR
9 WE COULD JUST TAKE THEM UP IN ORDER.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO, YOU WOULD ADOPT ONE SUBSTITUTE MOTION,
12 AND THE OTHER INCORPORATES IF IT PASSES THE NEXT THING?

13

14 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** IT GOES BACKWARDS.

15

16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** OKAY.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, AT THIS POINT, THEN, WE'LL GO
19 TO -- THERE AREN'T ANY OTHER COMMENTS BY THE BOARD, THEN WE'LL
20 GO TO THE PUBLIC. WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS THAT I WILL CALL
21 UP THAT WILL SPEAK FOR --

22

23 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** THE PRESENTERS.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THE PRESENTERS. THESE ARE THE
2 PRESENTERS.

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4 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** MADAME CHAIR?

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

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8 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE I'M LEAVING AT 4 ON ANOTHER
9 ITEM, JUST AN AMENDMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE C.E.O -
10 - THE BOARD WOULD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO
11 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT THE JULY 12TH BOARD
12 MEETING WITH A DRAFT 1/4-CENT GENERAL TRANSACTION-USE TAX-
13 REVENUE MEASURE WITH AN ADVISORY QUESTION ASKING VOTERS IF
14 GENERATED REVENUE SHOULD BE USED TO ADDRESS THE MENTAL HEALTH
15 FACTORS AND OTHER CAUSES AND EFFECTS OF HOMELESSNESS. THE
16 REPORT SHOULD INCLUDE A DRAFT RESOLUTION EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR
17 NOVEMBER. I AM NOT SUPPORTING THIS PROPOSITION. I AM JUST
18 ASKING THIS FOR INFORMATION BACK FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
19 TO CONSIDER.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO, YOU'RE PRESENTING THIS NOW
22 BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO LEAVE, IS OUR UNDERSTANDING.

23

24 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** DOES THIS RELATE TO THE GREEN-SHEET MOTION
25 THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS BROUGHT ABOUT HOMELESSNESS?



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2 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** YES.

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4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** OKAY, THANKS.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. OKAY, WITH THAT,
7 WE'LL GO AHEAD AND HAVE OUR INDIVIDUAL PRESENTERS COME
8 FORWARD, AND THEY EACH WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES, AND THEY
9 DON'T HAVE TO SPEAK THE FULL TWO MINUTES. SO, WE HAVE FORMER
10 COUNCILMAN ED REYES, MANAL ABOELATA, ELVA YANEZ, MIKE ENG,
11 TORI KJER, HYERAN LEE, WENDY RAMALLO, CHRIS SOLUCK.

12

13 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, AT THIS TIME IT WOULD
14 BE APPROPRIATE TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. AT THIS TIME, WE ARE OPENING
17 THE PUBLIC HEARING, AND WE WILL START WITH FORMER
18 COUNCILMEMBER ED REYES.

19

20 **ED REYES:** MADAME CHAIR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IT'S AN HONOR TO
21 BE HERE.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** PLEASE, I JUST WANT THE AUDIENCE TO
24 BE QUIET WHEN WE'RE HEARING OUR PRESENTERS, PLEASE. AND IF YOU



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1 ARE IN SUPPORT, REMEMBER, RAISE THE ROOF. THANK YOU. OKAY. GO
2 AHEAD, COUNCILMEMBER.

3

4 **ED REYES:** I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE ASSESSMENT STUDY. I'M
5 ONE MEMBER OF 40 ON A PANEL THAT WENT THROUGH AN INTENSIVE
6 PROCESS. MUCH OF THE REPORT HAS ALREADY BEEN COVERED BY THE
7 PRESENTERS, SO I WON'T REPEAT ALL THE SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION
8 THAT CAME FORWARD FROM THAT PROCESS. WHAT IS SIGNIFICANT IS
9 WHEN WE LOOK AT THE 3 CENTS VERSUS THE 1.5, IT IS SOMETHING
10 THAT WE SHOULD SERIOUSLY CONTEMPLATE. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THERE'S
11 NO STATISTICAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO. WE TALK ABOUT
12 BORDER SUPPORT. THE ECONOMIC MULTIPLIER THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO
13 BEGIN ADDRESSING A WHOLESALE CHANGE OF OUR ENVIRONMENT,
14 LOOKING AT THE PRESSURES THAT WE ARE CURRENTLY ENDURING, WHEN
15 YOU LOOK AT THE DENSITIES THAT ARE RIGHT NOW CAUSING GREAT
16 AMOUNT OF STRESS AND PRESSURE ON COMMUNITIES THAT HISTORICALLY
17 HAVE BEEN NEGLECTED OVER THE PAST DECADES, WHEN YOU LOOK AT
18 THE SOUTHEAST PORTION OF THE COUNTY, THE EAST SIDE AND THE
19 CENTRAL PARTS, PARTS OF PACOIMA, PARTS OF THE VALLEY, PARTS OF
20 VENICE, THERE ARE POCKETS THAT THIS STUDY DISCOVERED THAT MADE
21 IT CLEAR THAT THIS IS NOT AN "US-VERSUS-THEM." THIS IS A "WE"
22 SITUATION. THIS IS ABOUT THE WHOLE COUNTY LOOKING AT BEING
23 ABLE TO CREATE THE TYPE OF PREVENTIVE MEASURES THAT WILL SAVE
24 YOU THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN MANY OTHER
25 DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE RIGHT NOW HURTING FOR RESOURCES. THE



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1 STARS HAVE LINED UP. JUST LAST WEEK, THE CITY COUNCIL WAS ABLE
2 TO SUPPORT THE ARBOR STUDY OF POTENTIALLY \$1.2 BILLION
3 INFUSION IN AN URBAN CORRIDOR. YOU HAVE SUPERVISORS WORKING
4 TOGETHER WITH THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY, RENDON, LOOKING AT
5 THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF LOS ANGELES TO LOOK AT A STUDY THAT IS
6 GOING TO ORGANIZE THOSE CITIES. YOU HAVE AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF
7 WORK FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR LOOKING AT THE RIVER CORRIDORS
8 AND THE CREEKS. SO, I ASK YOU TO CONSIDER THE 3-CENT PARCEL. I
9 ASK YOU TO SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, THANK YOU.

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13 **MANEL ABOLATA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
14 IS MANAL ABOELATA. I AM A RESIDENT AND EMPLOYEE IN THE SECOND
15 DISTRICT. AND I WANT TO THANK ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR
16 LEADERSHIP AND ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR YOUR
17 INSISTENCE ON A ROBUST AND TRANSPARENT ASSESSMENT PROCESS. AND
18 I THINK IT'S FAIR TO SAY THAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED THAT, AND
19 WE HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF MOMENTUM UPON WHICH TO MOVE FORWARD
20 WITH A SOLID MEASURE. I AM FROM PREVENTION INSTITUTE. WE ARE A
21 NATIONAL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS TO ADDRESS THE
22 UNDERLYING CAUSES OF ILLNESS AND INJURY IN THE FIRST PLACE. WE
23 KNOW THAT IN SOME OF OUR COMMUNITIES, LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES
24 AND COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, THERE IS AN ACCUMULATION OF NEGATIVE
25 CONDITIONS AND ADVERSE STRUCTURAL ISSUES THAT ACCUMULATE AND



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1 HARM THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FAR TOO OFTEN.
2 WE, L.A. RESIDENTS, NEED A GREAT PLAN TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS.
3 WE NEED TO CREATE A GREAT PLAN TO IMPROVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
4 WE ALSO NEED TO PROVIDE FAIR AND EQUITABLE AND AFFORDABLE
5 TRANSIT FOR ALL, AND WE NEED TO CREATE AND IMPROVE QUALITY,
6 PARK INFRASTRUCTURE, PROGRAMMING AND BALLFIELDS IN OUR MOST
7 IMPACTED URBAN COMMUNITIES. I'M CONFIDENT AND EXPECT AND URGE
8 US ALL TO FIND WIN/WIN SOLUTIONS THAT BRAID OUR ISSUES AND OUR
9 COMMUNITIES TOGETHER AND OUR NEIGHBORHOODS TOGETHER. WE
10 DESERVE NOTHING LESS IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU. I RESPECTFULLY
11 REQUEST THAT YOU PLEASE PLACE THE PARK FUNDING MEASURE ON THE
12 NOVEMBER BALLOT, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

15

16 **ELVA YANEZ:** MY NAME IS ELVA YANEZ. I'M A GOVERNOR APPOINTEE TO
17 THE CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION. I AND
18 MANY OTHERS COMMEND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
19 COUNTYWIDE PARK NEEDS ASSESSMENT. IT SERVES AS AN IMPORTANT
20 MODEL FOR THE ENTIRE STATE, IF NOT THE NATION. I RECENTLY
21 ORGANIZED A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE PARK MEASURE AND ITS
22 PLACEMENT ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. IT WAS SIGNED BY 25
23 COMMUNITY LEADERS, INCLUDING 7 ACADEMIC EXPERTS ON PARKS,
24 HEALTH AND EQUITY FROM U.C.L.A., U.S.C. AND OCCIDENTAL
25 COLLEGE. THE LETTER AFFIRMS THE CONSISTENCY OF THE NEEDS



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1 ASSESSMENT'S FINDINGS WITH INDEPENDENT STUDIES DEMONSTRATING
2 THAT LOW-INCOME, PREDOMINANTLY LATINO AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN
3 COMMUNITIES IN L.A. COUNTY HAVE FEWER, MORE CONGESTED, AND
4 POOR-QUALITY PARK FACILITIES COMPARED TO OTHER AREAS. AND, IN
5 FACT, WHILE THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT DOESN'T CALL IT OUT
6 EXPLICITLY, SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2 HAVE THE GREATEST
7 NEED FOR MORE PARK SPACE AND IMPROVED PARK SPACE. THESE
8 DISPARITIES CORRELATE, AS WE HEARD EARLIER, WITH KEY
9 INDICATORS OF HEALTH AND MAJOR DRIVERS OF HEALTHCARE COSTS.
10 GIVEN THE IMMINENT LOSS OF \$54 MILLION PER YEAR IN PROP A
11 FUNDS AND THE URGENT NEED FOR MORE PARK RESOURCES IN
12 UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES, WE ASK THE BOARD TO PUT THE PARK
13 FUNDING MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT AND REMAIN FIRM ON THE
14 EQUITY PROVISIONS OF THE EXPENDITURE PLAN AT 15 PERCENT. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

18

19 **MIKE ENG:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS. MY NAME IS
20 MIKE ENG. I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT OF AMERICA'S LARGEST
21 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, THE L.A.C.C.D. WE HAVE NINE
22 COLLEGES THAT SERVE 5 MILLIONS RESIDENTS IN 40 CITIES, OR HALF
23 OF L.A. COUNTY. I'M HERE BECAUSE OF THESE NUMBERS. 250,000.
24 THAT'S OUR STUDENT BODY. THEY COME FROM 12 SECONDARY SCHOOL
25 DISTRICTS, WHERE, FOR MANY, THE RECESSION NEVER ENDED, SCHOOLS



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1 WHERE PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN CUT,
2 WHERE FORMER PLAYGROUND SPACE IS NOW OCCUPIED BY PORTABLE
3 CLASSROOMS. AND AFTER THE BELL RINGS AT SCHOOL, THEY GO HOME
4 TO HIGH-NEEDS COMMUNITIES WITH LESS THAN 1 ACRE OF PARK SPACE.
5 WE REPRESENT ABOUT HALF OF THE 415,000 COMMUNITY-COLLEGE
6 STUDENTS IN L.A. COUNTY. THE LACK OF OPEN SPACE DOES IMPACT
7 LEARNING OUTCOMES. MY L.A.C.C.D. STUDENTS TELL ME THAT PARKS
8 ARE AN EXTENSION OF THEIR CAMPUSES, PLACES TO GO WHERE THEY
9 CAN STUDY, EXERCISE, ROMANTICIZE, SAFE PLACES THEY CAN GO TO
10 REDUCE STRESS FROM WORKING. AND HALF OF THEM WORK PART-TIME,
11 OFTEN RUSHING TO CATCH UP TO SIX BUSES A DAY BETWEEN HOMEWORK
12 AND SCHOOL. SOMETIMES PARKS ARE THE ONLY FUN PLACES THEY CAN
13 AFFORD TO DO THINGS THEY CAN'T DO IN THEIR OFTEN CRAMPED, HOT,
14 NOISY HOME ENVIRONMENTS. PARKS, BEACHES, THESE ARE OUR 24-HOUR
15 FITNESS FOR OUR STUDENTS. MY FINAL NUMBER IS TWO-THIRDS.
16 THAT'S THE PERCENTAGE OF OUR STUDENTS THAT ARE LOW-INCOME AND
17 HAVE THE POOREST QUALITY OF LIFE. THAT'S ALSO THE PERCENTAGE
18 NEEDED TO PASS THESE TYPES OF BALLOT MEASURES. LET'S GIVE OUR
19 COLLEGE STUDENTS A REAL REASON TO VOTE IN NOVEMBER: PARKS,
20 BEACHES, RIVERS, WATER CONSERVATION. LET'S PUT THIS ON THE
21 BALLOT. REMEMBER, IN NOVEMBER, A MOST IMPORTANT RACE IS FOR
22 OPEN SPACE. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT SPEAKER.

25



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1 **HYERAN LEE:** HELLO. MY NAME IS HYERAN LEE, POLICY AND OUTREACH
2 COORDINATOR AT L.A. COUNTY BICYCLE COALITION. AND I'M HERE ON
3 BEHALF OF OUR OVER 10,000 MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS. I'M HERE TO
4 VOICE OUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE PARKS FOR ALL, PARK-FUNDING
5 BALLOT MEASURE. PEOPLE WHO BIKE AND WALK IN L.A. COUNTY ARE
6 OFTEN THE MOST VULNERABLE. IN ADDITION TO LACKING SIDEWALKS
7 AND BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE, FACING ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION, AND
8 LACK OF ACCESS TO FRESH AND HEALTHY FOOD, MANY LOW-INCOME
9 COMMUNITIES AND COMMUNITIES OF COLOR LACK ACCESS TO PARKS AND
10 GREEN SPACES. OUR COUNTYWIDE WORK FROM INGLEWOOD TO LOS
11 ANGELES TO SOUTHEAST L.A. COUNTY FOCUSES ON PROVIDING PEOPLE
12 SAFE ROUTES TO WHERE THEY LIVE, WORK AND PLAY. THE PLAY
13 PORTION OF THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT. THE LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES
14 OF COLOR IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE AMONGST THE MOST PARK POOR.
15 THIS BALLOT INITIATIVE CAN GO A LONG WAY IN PROVIDING
16 EQUITABLE ACCESS TO PARKS AND OPEN SPACES. OUR MEMBERS NOT
17 ONLY SUPPORT THIS BALLOT INITIATIVE BUT STRONGLY WANT IT.
18 PARKS ARE A CRITICAL PART OF WHAT MAKES L.A. COUNTY A
19 BEAUTIFUL, HEALTHY AND ACTIVE PLACE TO LIVE. A VOTE IN SUPPORT
20 OF THIS MEASURE IS A VOTE TOWARDS A BETTER L.A. COUNTY. IT'S A
21 VOTE THAT IS NEEDED. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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1 **WENDY RAMALLO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR. MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOARD. MY NAME IS WENDY RAMALLO, AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE
3 DIRECTOR OF THE COUNCIL FOR WATERSHED HEALTH. I'M HERE TODAY
4 TO EXPRESS THE COUNCIL'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR THIS BOARD'S
5 ACTION TO PUT FORWARD A RESOLUTION FOR A PARK SPENDING MEASURE
6 ON THE 2016 NOVEMBER BALLOT. THE COUNCIL WAS STARTED 20 YEARS
7 AGO BY DOROTHY GREEN, AND I KNOW THAT MANY OF YOU HERE WORKED
8 WITH HER AND WERE INSPIRED BY HER ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP.
9 AND I'M QUITE CERTAIN IF SHE WERE HERE TODAY, SHE WOULD START
10 BY SAYING THANK YOU FIRST. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND
11 YOUR WILLING TO TACKLE THIS ISSUE OF LACK OF ACCESSIBILITY AND
12 OPEN SPACE FOR TOO MANY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS. BUT
13 THEN, I'M ALSO QUITE CERTAIN SHE WOULD ISSUE A CHALLENGE, A
14 CALL FOR ACTION. WE ALL KNOW THAT ACCESS TO PARKS AND OUTDOOR
15 RECREATION IS ESSENTIAL FOR IMPROVED HEALTH. AND WE KNOW THAT
16 IT'S IMPERATIVE FOR THE PROPER DEVELOPMENT OF L.A. COUNTY'S
17 CHILDREN AND YOUTH. BUT PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ARE ALSO
18 ESSENTIAL FOR THE HEALTH AND RESILIENCY OF OUR LOCAL WATER
19 SUPPLY. BY PRESERVING AND INCREASING OPEN SPACE, PROTECTING
20 THE HEALTH OF OUR WATERSHEDS, WE USE MOTHER NATURE'S BEST
21 TOOLS TO REDUCE EROSION, WATER RUNOFF, FILTER POLLUTANTS, AND
22 RECHARGE OUR GROUNDWATER SUPPLIES AND PROMOTE THE LONG-TERM
23 SUSTAINABILITY OF OUR LOCAL ECOSYSTEMS. MOREOVER, BY INVESTING
24 NOW IN MORE OPEN SPACE AND PROTECTING WATERSHEDS, YOU ARE
25 REDUCING THE HIGHER COST OF ADDRESSING POLLUTION IN THE FUTURE



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1 WITH AFTER-THE-FACT REMEDIATION. TO THOSE WHO SAY WE CANNOT
2 MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS FUNDING MEASURE, THE ANSWER IS: WE
3 CANNOT AFFORD NOT TO. OUR HEALTH, OUR CHILDREN'S HEALTH,
4 GRANDCHILDREN'S HEALTH DEPEND ON IT. AND WE STAND AT A MOMENT
5 IN TIME WHERE THROUGH YOUR LEADERSHIP WE CAN TRULY REDESIGN
6 LOS ANGELES. THE COUNCIL FOR WATERSHED HEALTH STANDS UNITED
7 WITH THE PARTNERS BEFORE YOU TODAY AND STRONGLY ENCOURAGES
8 THIS BOARD TO MOVE FORWARD AND PLACE THE PARK SPENDING MEASURE
9 ON THE NOVEMBER 2016 BALLOT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **TORI KJER:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD. MY NAME IS TORI KJER. I'M LOS ANGELES PROGRAM DIRECTOR
15 FOR THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND. THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND IS
16 ALSO A CO-ORGANIZER OF THE OUR PARKS COALITION, ALONG WITH
17 ABOUT 10 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS. AND WE ARE HERE
18 TODAY TO, FIRST, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN CONSIDERING
19 MOVING A PARK FUNDING MEASURE FORWARD. WE THE MEMBERS OF THE
20 OUR PARKS COALITION BELIEVE THAT SAFE, QUALITY PARKS AND OPEN
21 SPACES PLAY AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN THE SOCIAL, HEALTH AND
22 ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC VITALITY OF COMMUNITIES IN GREATER
23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE LAST SOURCE OF FUNDING WE HAVE RELIED
24 UPON FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS IS GOING AWAY. PROPOSITION A FUNDED
25 OVER 2,000 PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PROJECTS, BEACH



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1 MAINTENANCE PROJECTS, THE WORKS. AND NOW, THANKS TO THE
2 UNPRECEDENTED NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT WAS INITIATED BY THIS
3 BOARD, WE NOW HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP FIND FUNDING FOR AN
4 ADDITIONAL \$21 BILLION IN NEED. THE STORIES FROM COMMUNITIES
5 ACROSS THE COUNTY THAT WERE IDENTIFIED THROUGH THAT NEEDS
6 ASSESSMENT SHOW THE REAL AND QUANTIFIABLE SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL
7 HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPACTS OF THE LACK OF RECREATION
8 FACILITIES. THIS PROCESS WAS THOROUGH AND EXPANSIVE. THE
9 SUPERVISORS HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION AND DATA NEEDED TO TAKE
10 ACTION, AND NOW IS THE TIME. ANY ATTEMPT, WE BELIEVE, TO
11 THWART THIS PROCESS IS A SEVERE DISSERVICE TO THOUSANDS OF
12 COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHO HAVE
13 ENGAGED IN A GOOD FAITH IN THIS PROCESS. OUR COMMUNITIES
14 CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE CRITICAL RESOURCES FOR PUBLIC SPACES
15 THAT ARE SO VITAL TO QUALITY OF LIFE. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT A
16 NEW LOCAL PARK FUNDING MEASURE IN L.A. COUNTY SO THAT OUR
17 CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITIES CAN ENJOY PARKS FOR GENERATIONS TO
18 COME. THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WE HAVE AIDE CASTRO,
21 PHIL HESTER, SAMUEL YOUNG, ROBERT GARCIA, ANTONIO ACOSTA, JEFF
22 EBENSTEIN, NICK GREIF. GO AHEAD, MA'AM, AIDE.

23
24 **AIDE CASTRO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS AIDE CASTRO, AND I'M
25 HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY ANTHONY



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1 RENDON. I'LL BE READING THE FOLLOWING LETTER. DEAR
2 SUPERVISORS, I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS MY STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE
3 PROPOSED LOS ANGELES COUNTY SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS CLEAN
4 WATER, BEACHES, RIVERS AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES MEASURE. A
5 RECENT NEEDS ASSESSMENT COMPLETED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
6 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOUND THAT SIGNIFICANT
7 RESOURCES ARE NEEDED TO PROVIDE SAFE PARKS AND OPEN SPACES.
8 ACCESS TO PARKS ARE ESSENTIAL TO A COMMUNITY'S SOCIAL,
9 ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING. LOS ANGELES COUNTY
10 AVERAGES 3.3 ACRES OF PARKLAND PER 1,000 RESIDENTS, AND 51
11 PERCENT OF COUNTY RESIDENTS LIVE MORE THAN A HALF A MILE FROM
12 THE NEAREST PARK. THE MOST PARK-POOR AREAS ARE CONCENTRATED IN
13 MY DISTRICT IN THE SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WELL AS
14 CENTRAL AND SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND PARTS OF SAN FERNANDO AND
15 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. MANY EXISTING PARKS ARE IN DISREPAIR AND
16 DIFFICULT TO ACCESS. LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS RELIED ON LOCAL
17 VOTER-APPROVED FUNDING TO ACQUIRE, PROTECT AND MAINTAIN
18 NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS AND RECREATIONAL OPEN SPACES. NEARLY 2,000
19 PARKS AND OPEN SPACE PROJECTS LOST FUNDING WHEN PROPOSITION A
20 EXPIRED IN 2015. PLAYGROUNDS, ATHLETIC FIELDS, POOLS AND
21 PROJECTS THAT PROTECT WALTER AND WILDLIFE LOST OVER 15 MILLION
22 ANNUALLY. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, CLEAN WATER, BEACHES, RIVERS,
24 AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES MEASURE AT YOUR MEETING ON JULY 5,
25 2016. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC SPACES



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1 THAT ARE CRITICAL TO ENSURING ACCESS TO QUALITY PARKS FOR
2 FUTURE GENERATIONS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GIVE MY REGARDS
5 TO THE ASSEMBLY SPEAKER. I KNOW HE'S IN SACRAMENTO.

6

7 **AIDE CASTRO:** YES, MA'AM. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

8

9 **ROBERT GARCIA:** MY NAME IS ROBERT GARCIA. I'M FOUNDING DIRECTOR
10 AND COUNSEL OF THE CITY PROJECT. I AM A CIVIL RIGHTS ATTORNEY.
11 WE HAVE WORKED ON EQUAL ACCESS TO PARKS AND RECREATION FOR 16
12 YEARS. WE SUPPORT THE MEASURE. WE DO ASK THAT THE DATA BASED
13 ON RACE, COLOR, AND NATIONAL ORIGIN BE RELEASED, SO THAT
14 ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE CITY PROJECT CAN ANALYZE IT. WE ARE
15 HAPPY WITH THE WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE SO FAR, INCLUDING POSTING
16 SUCH DATA ON THE WEB, BUT WE NEED THE UNDERLYING DATA. AS THE
17 COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND OTHERS HAVE RECOGNIZED, PEOPLE OF
18 COLOR AND LOW-INCOME PEOPLE DISPROPORTIONALLY LACK GREEN
19 SPACE. THEY LACK ACCESS TO SPORTS FIELDS, SCHOOL FIELDS WITH
20 FIVE ACRES OR MORE OF PLAYING AREA. THEY ARE DISPROPORTIONALLY
21 OBESE AND SUFFER FROM DIABETES, CANCER, HEART DISEASE, AND
22 OTHER DISEASES RELATED TO INACTIVITY. THEY ARE THE MOST IN
23 NEED OF PARK SPACE. UNFORTUNATELY, WE'VE ANALYZED MEASURE A
24 AND BABY A, AND TWICE AS MUCH MONEY UNDER THOSE GRANTS WENT TO
25 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3 ON THE WEST SIDE, \$164 PER PERSON



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1 COMPARED TO \$70 PER PERSON IN SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1. THE
2 LEVELS OF SUPPORT AMONG PEOPLE OF COLOR -- EXCUSE ME, AMONG
3 THE PEOPLE RECOGNIZED THE FACT THAT PEOPLE OF COLOR WANT MORE
4 PARK SPACE. 79 PERCENT OF LATINOS, 75 PERCENT OF AFRICAN-
5 AMERICANS, 65 PERCENT OF ASIAN AMERICANS SUPPORT THE MEASURE,
6 COMPARED TO 64 PERCENT OF NONHISPANIC WHITES. IN SHORT, WE
7 NEED, FIRST OF ALL, A PLAN TO DISTRIBUTE THE MONEY EQUITABLY
8 IN COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS. SECOND, WE NEED
9 STANDARDS TO DEFINE EQUITY, MEASURE PROGRESS, ALLOW FOR MID-
10 COURSE CORRECTIONS, AND, FINALLY, WE DO NEED THE DATA. THANK
11 YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **JEFF EBENSTEIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JEFF EBENSTEIN. I'M
16 HERE ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCILMEMBER PAUL KORETZ,
17 BECAUSE HE WANTED TO SHOW HIS SUPPORT FOR THE PARK FUNDING
18 MEASURE. MAYOR GARCETTI ALSO SENT A LETTER OF SUPPORT ON THIS
19 ITEM, AND OUR COLLEAGUE DAVID RIZZO WILL ALSO BE HERE IF HE IS
20 ABLE TO. THEY HAD TO ATTEND ANOTHER MEETING. IF THE MEASURE IS
21 PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES STANDS
22 TO GAIN \$25 MILLION ANNUALLY. OUR DENSELY POPULATED
23 COMMUNITIES STAND TO GAIN FROM THIS MEASURE. ADDITIONALLY, THE
24 HIGH NEED AND VERY HIGH NEED AREAS IN OUR CITY WILL BENEFIT
25 FROM YOUR FUNDING CATEGORIES. THE CITY REPRESENTS THE DIVERSE



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1 GROUP OF COMMUNITIES AND ADDITIONAL PARKS WITHIN A FIVE-MINUTE
2 WALK. PLEASE SUPPORT PLACING THIS ITEM ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT.
3 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JOE.

6

7 **JOSEPH EDMISTON:** JOSEPH EDMISTON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
8 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
9 MOUNTAINS RECREATION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY. THOSE TWO
10 ORGANIZATIONS HAVE DONE PRECEDENT-SETTING PARKS ALL OVER THE
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AREA. I WANT THE SET ANOTHER PRECEDENT AND
12 CEDE THE REST OF MY TIME AND SAY SIMPLY, VOTE YES.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

15

16 **SAMUEL YOUNG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SAMUEL YOUNG, AND I'M
17 A PROUD MEMBER OF THE SAN GABRIEL MEMBER CONSERVATION CORPS.
18 I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON A FEW SKILLS THAT ME AND MY FELLOW
19 CORPS MEMBERS HAVE LEARNED AND HOW IT CAN BENEFIT THE PARKS.
20 WE HAVE DONE SUCH PROJECTS SUCH AS TRASH REMOVAL, REMOVING
21 GRAFFITI FROM OUR PARKS. WE'VE ALSO DONE TREE PLANTING, TREE
22 REMOVAL. WE ALSO HELPED PICK UP TRASH. AND WE'VE ALSO LEARNED
23 THAT BY DOING THAT, WE'RE KEEPING OUR AREA CLEAN, AND AT THE
24 END, IT GIVES US SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF. AND BY KEEPING OUR
25 ENVIRONMENT CLEAN, LIKE SUCH OF OUR PARKS, WE ARE GOING TO



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1 HAVE A FUTURE FOR OUR LITTLE ONES TO GO PLAY AND HAVE A GOOD
2 TIME WITHOUT HAVING TO HAVE A DIRTY AREA OR SEEING GRAFFITI OR
3 STUFF LIKE THAT. THAT'S WHERE OUR JOB COMES IN. AND US AS THE
4 YOUTH WANT TO BE ABLE TO TEACH THE UPCOMING CHILDREN HOW TO
5 TAKE CARE OF OUR LOCAL PARKS AND HOW WE WANT TO HAVE IT FOR
6 FUTURE GENERATIONS TO COME. SO, AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT'S
7 JUST SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF. ONCE AGAIN, MY NAME IS SAMUEL
8 YOUNG, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. RAISE THE ROOF. OKAY.
11 NEXT, WE'RE GOING TO LISTEN -- HEAR FOR SOME OF OUR SPEAKERS
12 FOR 1 MINUTE EACH, AND THEN WE'LL JUST KEEP GOING DOWN THE
13 LINE THERE. WE HAVE WALNUT MAYOR BOB ROBERT PACHECO, WALNUT
14 MAYOR PRO TEM MARY SU, POMONA CITY COUNCILWOMAN DEBRA MARTIN,
15 MONTEREY PARK COUNCIL MEMBER PETER CHAN, MONTEREY PARK COUNCIL
16 HANS LIANG, SOUTH GATE COUNCIL MEMBER JORGE MORALES, THANK
17 YOU. MAYOR?

18

19 **MAYOR ROBERT PACHECO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR, MADAME CHAIRMAN
20 AND MEMBERS OF THE SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE AS A RESIDENT OF
21 WALNUT. I WAS HONORED TO SERVE, BY THE WAY, WITH THREE MEMBERS
22 OF THE SUPERVISORS. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR SERVING THE
23 COMMUNITY AS LONG AS YOU HAVE. WHILE I'M NOT HERE REPRESENTING
24 THE ENTIRE CITY COUNCIL, I CAN SAY THAT AS MAYOR OF THE CITY
25 AND A RESIDENT OF THE CITY, I'M VERY PROUD OF THE WAY THAT



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1 WALNUT HAS MAINTAINED OUR PARKS AND RECREATION AND HAS MADE IT
2 AVAILABLE FOR SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. WE HAVE BECOME A HUB
3 FOR OUR SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES THAT DO NOT HAVE ADEQUATE
4 PARKS AND RECREATION THAT WE CAN AFFORD. AND SO BECAUSE OF
5 THAT, WE'RE SUPPORTIVE OF THE MEASURE. I KNOW THAT WE PLAN TO
6 BUILD, IN ADDITION TO WHAT WE'VE ALREADY DONE, A SWIM COMPLEX,
7 AQUATICS CENTER THAT WILL ALSO BE MADE A REGIONAL CENTER. AND
8 WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE IT TO EVERYONE. I SUPPORT THE
9 BOND MEASURE.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MAYOR. THANK YOU. IT'S
12 GOOD TO SEE YOU. MARY SU.

13

14 **MARY SU:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS MARY SU, MAYOR PRO TEM. I'M
15 HERE REPRESENTING MYSELF. WELL, FIRST, I WANT TO THANK YOU TO
16 ALL THE SUPERVISORS WILLING TO PUT THIS MEASURE. HONORABLE
17 MEMBERS, AS YOU KNOW, IN ORDER TO BUILD A STRONG NATION, WE
18 NEED A STRONG PEOPLE. OUR YOUNG GENERATION NEED TO HAVE A LOT
19 OF OPEN SPACES. PARK AND RECREATION WILL BE THE BEST PROGRAM
20 FOR OUR YOUNG GENERATION AND ALSO OUR SENIORS. SO, I WOULD
21 LIKE TO ASK -- URGE OUR SUPERVISORS TO PUT THIS MEASURE ON
22 NOVEMBER SO WE CAN BE A STRONG COMMUNITY AND STRONG NATION.
23 THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. DEBRA.



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DEBRA MARTIN: HELLO. MY NAME IS DEBRA MARTIN. I'M A COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF POMONA, AND I WANT TO THANK HONORABLE CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS FOR CONSIDERING THIS MEASURE. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE CITY OF POMONA. THE CITY OF POMONA HAS 27 PARKS, AND THEY ALL NEED REPAIR. TODAY I JUST WANT TO MENTION ONE, GANESHA PARK, 60 ACRES. 45 ACRES ARE HILLS OF URBAN FOREST. 3 ACRES OF IT IS REDWOOD GROVE. WE ALSO HAVE MANY OTHER THINGS THAT ARE OFFERED FOR OUR COMMUNITY THERE THAT NEEDS REPAIR: OUR BAND SHELL THAT OUR CONCERT BAND, POMONA CONCERT BAND PLAYS NOW FOR 68 YEARS IN THAT PARK. WE NEED REPAIR OF OUR COMMUNITY POOL, OUR FIVE PAVILIONS, THE COMMUNITY CENTER. WE HAVE TONGVA TRIBE BURIAL GROUNDS THAT NEED TO BE PRESERVED. WE HAVE A LOT OF PUBLIC ART, 100 HISTORIC STAIRS.

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SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, DEBRA.

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DEBRA MARTIN: MILES OF HIKING TRAILS. THERE'S SO MUCH IN NEED. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR SUPPORTING THIS MEASURE.

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SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. PETER.

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PETER CHEN: I'M PETTER CHAN, COUNCILMEMBER OF MONTEREY PARK, AND HANS LIANG, COUNCIL MEMBER, HAS LEFT BECAUSE OF HIS

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1 PERSONAL BUSINESS. AND THE CITY, WE DO SUPPORT THIS
2 PROPOSITION. AND AS YOU SEE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, NOT
3 JUST MONTEREY PARK, YOU NEED THE PARKS VERY BADLY. AND YOU CAN
4 GO TO OUR CITY AND VISIT ALL THOSE PARKS IN THE MORNING AND
5 THE DAYTIME. IT'S ALL FULL, BECAUSE IT'S THE POPULAR USE, AND
6 SO THAT'S WHY THEY DETERIORATE A LOT AND SO NEED A LOT OF
7 MAINTENANCE AND A LOT OF FACILITIES NEED TO BE UPGRADED AND WE
8 NEED THE MONEY. AND SO, THAT'S WHY WE SUPPORT THIS
9 PROPOSITION. THE ONLY THING IS THAT WE NEED TO THINK THE
10 COUNTY OUR HOPE. YOU CAN THINK ABOUT APPROPRIATING MORE MONEY
11 TO THE CITY LIKE MONTEREY PARK BECAUSE OF THE NEED AND ALSO
12 CONSIDER REDUCING SOME ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FOR THE COUNTY AND
13 CHANGE THOSE, TRANSFER THOSE MONEY TO THE LOCAL PARKS. THANK
14 YOU VERY MUCH.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WELCOME.

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18 **JORGE MORALES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. JORGE MORALES, COUNCILMEMBER OF
19 THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE. SOUTH GATE IS IN THE SOUTHEAST LOS
20 ANGELES AREA, ABOUT 95,000 RESIDENTS, 95 PERCENT OF WHICH ARE
21 LATINO. AT OUR LAST COUNCIL MEETING, THE CITY COUNCIL, IN A
22 UNANIMOUS -- UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION IN ORDER TO
23 SUPPORT THE PROPOSED PARKS BOND MEASURE. WHY? IT'S A NO
24 BRAINER FOR US. THE SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES AREA IS PARK-POOR,
25 AND WE HAVE THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF CHILDHOOD OBESITY, DIABETES,



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1 AND ASTHMA, NOT JUST IN THE COUNTY BUT IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY.
2 MOST OF IT IS BECAUSE OF THE I-710 FREEWAY, WHICH IS A FREEWAY
3 THAT IS A GATEWAY TO THE PORTS OF LONG BEACH AND LOS ANGELES.
4 WE HAVE OVER 40 PERCENT OF OUR ITEMS THAT COME IN FROM OTHER
5 COUNTRIES THAT COME IN THROUGH THIS PORT. 43,000 TRUCKS PASS
6 BY OUR CITY EVERY SINGLE DAY, AND THAT NUMBER'S GOING TO RISE
7 TO 80,000 BY 2035. SO, ALL THESE PRODUCTS THAT ARE PASSING BY
8 ARE BEING SUBSIDIZED BY THE LUNGS OF A YOUNG BOY AND GIRL IN
9 THE SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES AREA, AND IT'S TIME THAT WE GIVE
10 BACK TO THEM BY BRINGING MORE OPEN SPACE TO OUR COMMUNITIES.
11 THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE COUNCILMEMBER
14 KARINA MACIAS AND NOEL GONZALEZ. HOLD THE MIC UP, SON, AND
15 STATE YOUR NAME.

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17 **NOEL GONZALEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS NOEL GONZALEZ. I'M A
18 CATCHER FOR THE CITY RED SOX.

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HOLD THE MIC UP SO I CAN HEAR YOU
21 BETTER.

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23 **NOEL GONZALEZ:** AND A SWIMMER AT THE BELVEDERE REGIONAL PARK
24 POOL AND A FAN AND A DEFENDER OF ALL GREEN SPACES. I LIVE IN
25 EAST L.A. TODAY MANY ADULTS WILL COME UP AND SPEAK ABOUT HOW



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1 GREAT PARKS ARE IN LOS ANGELES. I AM HERE TO TELL YOU THAT
2 PARKS DO NOT MAKE LIFE BETTER. AND THEY DO NOT BENEFIT -- THEY
3 BENEFIT EVERYONE. EVERYBODY. THERE ISN'T ANYONE I KNOW THAT
4 DOESN'T BENEFIT. CITY TERRACE PARK AND OTHER COUNTY PARKS ARE
5 MY SECOND HOME. I SPEND SIX DAYS A WEEK AT THE PARK. SO, I AM
6 HERE TO DEFEND AND SUPPORT OUR PARKS. THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU,
9 NOEL. KARINA MACIAS. I BELIEVE SHE SIGNED UP. SHE MAY NOT BE
10 HERE. OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE ALSO HAVE MELIZA HERNANDEZ.

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12 **MELIZA HERNANDEZ:** OKAY. I GOT ONE MINUTE? OKAY, SO, LET'S
13 DECIDE. I'M MELIZA HERNANDEZ, AND I'M NOT SURE WHICH HAT I'M
14 GOING TO WEAR: AS AN S.E.I.U. MEMBER, AS AN L.A. COUNTY PARKS
15 AND RECREATION EMPLOYEE, OR AS A SINGLE PARENT OF TWO
16 CHILDREN. I HAVE A 7-YEAR-OLD AND A 25-YEAR-OLD SPECIAL-NEEDS
17 CHILD. AND PARKS ARE SUPER-IMPORTANT TO ME, ONLY BECAUSE MY
18 SPECIAL-NEEDS CHILD USES THAT PARK EVERY DAY WITH HER GROUP
19 PROGRAM, AND MY 7-YEAR-OLD PLAYS EVERY SPORT IN THE PARK. I
20 HAVE THE BEST JOB IN THE WORLD WORKING IN PARKS. AND I HAVE
21 ONE OF THE GREATEST UNIONS EVER TO HELP REPRESENT ME AND BEING
22 AN EMPLOYEE THERE. SO, I REALLY WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT S.E.I.U.
23 IS IN SUPPORT OF THIS PROPOSITION. SO, PLEASE PUT IT ON THE
24 BALLOT. WE NEED MORE PARKS. WE NEED FUNDING TO KEEP PARKS
25 GOING AND CREATE THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S NEEDED FOR THEM.



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1 SO, I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU. AND WE ALSO SUPPORT THE
2 HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE THAT'S GOING FORWARD IN NOVEMBER ALSO.
3 SO, THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP
6 GRACE YOO, JOHN VELASCO, LAURA SANTOS, ANITA DIAZ, AND ROBERT
7 PARK, CAROLINE SIM. ARE THEY HERE?

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9 **ROBERT PARK:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROBERT PARK WITH
10 OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIGUEL SANTIAGO. THE 53RD ASSEMBLY
11 DISTRICT, WE HAVE DOWNTOWN L.A., KOREATOWN, BOYLE HEIGHTS,
12 VERNON, HUNTINGTON PARK, AND MORE, AND IT IS ONE OF THE MOST
13 PARK-POOR DISTRICTS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. OUR
14 COMMUNITIES ARE IN DIRE NEED FUNDING TO ENHANCE OUR EXISTING
15 PARKS AND BUILD NEW ONES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR RESIDENTS.
16 IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS VISION INTO REALITY, OUR NEIGHBORHOODS
17 NEED A DEDICATED AND STABLE LOCAL FUNDING STREAM TO MAINTAIN,
18 ACQUIRE, BUILD, AND OPERATE THE PARKS AND GREEN SPACE.
19 ACHIEVING THIS BOLD VISION REQUIRES THE FULL ATTENTION AND
20 LONG-TERM INVESTMENT FROM THE COUNTY, WHICH WE HOPE THAT THIS
21 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL SUPPORT. WITH THE PAST VOTER-
22 APPROVED LOCAL FUNDING MEASURE EXPIRING SOON, ASSEMBLY MEMBER
23 SANTIAGO IS STRONGLY IN SUPPORT OF A NEW LOCAL PARK FUNDING
24 MEASURE IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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3 **CAROLINE SIM:** MY NAME IS CAROLINE SIM. I'M FROM THE KOREATOWN
4 ARTS AND RECREATION CENTER COALITION. AND WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF
5 THIS FUNDING MEASURE, IF AND ONLY IF WE CAN GET SOME FUNDS FOR
6 NEW PARKS AND IMPROVEMENTS IN KOREATOWN, WHICH IS THE NUMBER-
7 ONE DENSEST COMMUNITY IN L.A. COUNTY, ONE OF THE MOST PARK-
8 POOR, AS WELL. LAST WEEK I WAS HERE AND SPOKE ON THE WRONG
9 ITEM, BUT I WAS HERE REGARDING THE SAME PROJECT, THE KOREATOWN
10 ARTS AND RECREATION CENTER. I FEEL LIKE THE KOREATOWN
11 COMMUNITY IS BEING IGNORED, BECAUSE WE HAVE ASKED FOR FOLLOW-
12 UP FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE TO TELL US ABOUT THE FIRST
13 FORMAL ACTION WHERE YOUR COUNTY SUPERVISORS WILL BE VOTING ON
14 THE DEVELOPER CHOSEN TO REDEVELOP THE VERMONT REDEVELOPMENT
15 PROJECT BETWEEN 4TH AND 6TH. I STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN A RESPONSE
16 BACK ON WHEN THAT DATE WILL BE, AND I CAN ONLY IMAGINE THAT
17 IT'S BECAUSE IT'S TO PREVENT THE COMMUNITY FROM ORGANIZING TO
18 COME TO THAT MEETING, BECAUSE I'VE ALREADY GIVEN NOTICE TO THE
19 STAFF THAT WE WILL BE ORGANIZING AND FIGHTING FOR THIS
20 COMMUNITY CENTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GRACE YOO, JOHN VELASCO, LAURA
23 SANTOS, ANITA DIAZ. THAT'S THE SECOND CALL ON THOSE FOLKS.
24 THEY MAY HAVE LEFT. OKAY. NOW I HAVE SEVERAL SPANISH SPEAKERS,
25 SO WE NEED AN INTERPRETER. SEVERIANA PABLO, VERONICA RAMIREZ,



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1 PENA SALCEDO, SYLVIA RIVERA, LYDIA AGUILAR, ANGELA SAEZ, MARIA
2 HERNANDEZ. [INSTRUCTS SPEAKERS IN SPANISH, NOT INTERPRETED
3 INTO ENGLISH.]

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5 **SILVIA RIVERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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7 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SYLVIA RIVERA. I COME
8 FROM KOREATOWN. HAPPILY FROM A GREEN SPACE ORGANIZED BY LANZA.
9 WE NEED PARKS FOR EVERYONE. THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE TODAY. WE
10 NEED YOUR SUPPORT... SO THIS MEASURE CAN COME OUT ON THE
11 NOVEMBER BALLOT. I LOVE LOS ANGELES. I LOVE EVERYONE. AND I
12 LOVE PARKS FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

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14 **SEVERIANA PABLO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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16 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SEVERIANA PABLO. I
17 COME FROM PANORAMA CITY, AND I AM A RESIDENT. I'M A RESIDENT
18 OF LOS ANGELES AND LEADER OF LANTROS. STUDIES SHOW THAT 52
19 PERCENT OF RESIDENTS IN THE COUNTY LIVE WITH THE NECESSITY OF
20 PARKS, FAMILY PARKS FOR ALL FAMILIES, THE COMMUNITIES.
21 SUPERVISORS, TODAY WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT SO YOU GUYS CAN HELP
22 US AND PUT THAT BALLOT IN NOVEMBER -- SO YOU CAN PUT THE
23 MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.
24 WE ALSO NEED PARKS, BECAUSE WE WANT TO AVOID INFANT OBESITY.
25 AND PARKS FOR YOUTH FROM 0 TO 5 YEARS WHERE THEY WILL BE ABLE



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1 TO TAKE THEIR FIRST STEPS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION AND
2 HAVE A GOOD AFTERNOON.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GRACIAS. NEXT. SE ORA?

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6 **KENIA SAUCEDO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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8 **INTERPRETER:** MY NAME IS KENIA SAUCEDO. I'M A BOYLE HEIGHTS
9 RESIDENT. I'M A LEADER IN THE COMMUNITY MOVEMENT IN PASTORAL
10 PROJECT. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE MOTION P-1. IN BOYLE HEIGHTS,
11 WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PARKS FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY FOR OUR
12 RESIDENTS AND OUR CHILDREN. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THE COUNTY TO
13 INVEST IN PARKS IN OUR COMMUNITY SO OUR FAMILIES AND YOUTH CAN
14 BE HEALTHIER. WE NEED MORE LIGHTING IN OUR PARKS AND FOR THEM
15 TO BE SAFER. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GRACIAS.

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19 **VERONICA RAMIREZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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21 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VERONICA RAMIREZ, A
22 RESIDENT OF EAST LOS ANGELES. I'M HERE TO ASK FOR FUNDS TO
23 SUPPORT PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IN PARKS. WE HAVE VERY VARIOUS
24 PARKS, BUT IT IS NOT ENOUGH. THEY'RE TOO COSTLY FOR LOW-INCOME
25 FAMILIES. I AM A MOTHER AND I AM A GRANDMOTHER AND I ALSO SEE



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1 VARIOUS CHILDREN WITH THAT NECESSITY IN OUR COMMUNITY. THIS
2 WILL BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY SO WE WON'T HAVE ANY FUTURE GANGS
3 IN THE COMMUNITY, BECAUSE OUR YOUTH WILL BE BUSY IN THE
4 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, WHERE THEY WILL DO GOOD AND BENEFIT
5 THEM. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GRACIAS.

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9 **ANITA DIAZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANITA DIAZ. I AM WITH
10 BASSETT P.T.A., PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION. WE BELIEVE, ALL
11 OF US IN OUR COMMUNITY, THAT PARKS ARE VERY CRUCIAL TO THE
12 NEEDS FOR OUR CHILDREN, OUR STUDENTS, FOR RECREATION, FOR
13 AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, FOR JOINT SPORTS, AND OVERALL HEALTH
14 AND BENEFITS FOR ALL. ALSO, I'D MAINLY LIKE TO ADD, FOR
15 FUNDING, IF THIS COULD BE SOME KIND OF -- TO EASE UP THE
16 PROPERTY TAX BURDEN ON US PROPERTY OWNERS, IF THERE COULD BE
17 AN ALCOHOL, TOBACCO TAX LEVIED ON THEM, AS WELL, TO SORT OF
18 HELP FINANCE THIS PROJECT IN SUPPORT TO HELP EASE US ON THIS
19 TOPIC. WE APPRECIATE VERY MUCH IF YOU WOULD TAKE THAT INTO
20 CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANKS FOR COMING. SENORA?

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24 **ANGELA SAEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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1 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANGELA SAEZ. I'M A
2 CIVIC PROMOTER WITH GO FEM. I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THE
3 MEASURE TO FUND THE PARKS. I LIVE IN SOUTH GATE. I AM A
4 WITNESS EVERY DAY OF HOW OUR CHILDREN ARE FORCED TO PLAY IN
5 THE STREET EVERY DAY OR TO BE LOCKED INDOORS BECAUSE OF LACK
6 OF PARKS. THIS MEASURE WILL IMPROVE THE SERIOUS PROBLEM IN OUR
7 COMMUNITY. IN THE PARK OF SOUTH GATE, IT IS VISITED BY MANY
8 CITIES LIKE MAYWOOD, LYNWOOD, HUNTINGTON PARK, CUDAHAY, AND
9 OTHER CITIES. IT IS VERY POPULATED WITH MANY INDIVIDUALS.
10 HOPEFULLY YOU HEAR OUR VOICE. THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GRACIAS.

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14 **LYDIA AGUILAR:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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16 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LYDIA AGUILAR. I'M A
17 VOLUNTEER AND A PROMOTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT WITH THE COUNCIL
18 OF MEXICAN FEDERATIONS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR TIME
19 AND YOUR PATIENCE. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE MEASURE TO IMPROVE
20 OUR PARKS AND TO CONTINUE BUILDING PARKS IN OUR COMMUNITIES,
21 BECAUSE WE NEED THEM. THEY BUILT TWO NEW PARKS, ONE ON AVALON
22 AND GAGE AND ANOTHER IN GAGE AND VERMONT, BUT THEY ARE
23 INSUFFICIENT, BECAUSE THOSE AREAS ARE VERY POPULATED. WE NEED
24 PARKS WHERE THEY HAVE BASKETBALL COURTS AND VOLLEYBALL COURTS,
25 SOCCER FIELDS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES BECAUSE OUR CHILDREN AND



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1 OUR YOUTH CAN RELEASE THE STRESS WITH THE SPORTS AND THEY
2 DON'T FALL INTO DRUG USE OR ALCOHOLISM AND OVERALL, THEY
3 ERADICATE THE CHRONIC ILLNESSES LIKE DIABETES AND CHOLESTEROL,
4 HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND OBESITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP FRED SYKES,
7 MARIA BRENES, AND BLAINE MEEK. GO AHEAD. FRED?

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9 **FRED SYKES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
10 MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND MEMBERS
11 OF THE AUDIENCE. MY NAME IS FREDERICK SYKES. I LIVE IN THE
12 CITY OF WEST COVINA, AND I'M ALSO THE IMMEDIATE PAST MAYOR AND
13 MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL. I GREW UP IN WATTS, WILLOWBROOK,
14 AND COMPTON, AND FROM THE AGE OF 6 TO 16, I SPENT TIME GROWING
15 UP IN A PLACE CALLED PALM LANE. THAT WAS A FORMER MILITARY
16 HOUSING FOR WORLD WAR II SOLDIERS. AND FOR ME AND MY FOUR
17 BROTHERS AND TWO SISTERS AND THE COMMON GROUND THAT WAS
18 AFFORDED US FOR THE PARKS AND BASKETBALL COURT, THAT WAS THE
19 MOST IMPORTANT PART ABOUT LIVING IN THAT ENVIRONMENT. PALM
20 LANE WAS A VERY TOUGH NEIGHBORHOOD, BUT WE WERE ABLE TO GET
21 STRONG AND PERSEVERE. I SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE, BECAUSE I AM
22 THINKING ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT GREEN SPACE WAS TO ME AND WHEN I
23 WAS IN MY YOUTH AND WHAT IT DOES FOR ME TODAY AND HOW
24 IMPORTANT PARKS ARE AND OPEN GREEN SPACES ARE TO HEALTH AND
25 WEALTH OF OUR CHILDREN AND THE FUTURE AND THE WELL-BEING OF



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1 OUR CITIES, COMMUNITIES, AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND, YES,
2 IT'S GOING TO COST, BUT IT'S WELL WORTH THE COST. THE IDEA IS
3 YES ON PARKS.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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7 **BLAINE MEEK:** YES, BLAINE MEEK, COUNSEL TO THE CALIFORNIA
8 ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES. THERE'S BEEN A LOT SAID
9 ABOUT PARKS AND HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS, BUT I WOULD JUST
10 REMIND THE SUPERVISORS OF ONE OTHER ASPECT: THEY ARE A
11 CRITICAL PART OF COMMUNITY. THIS IS WHERE LITTLE KIDS HAVE
12 THEIR BIRTHDAY PARTIES. THIS IS WHERE FAMILIES HAVE THEIR
13 BARBECUES. THIS IS WHERE WE GO TO PLAY GAMES WITH OUR KIDS.
14 AND ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF
15 PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES, I'D LIKE THE SUPERVISORS TO SERIOUSLY
16 CONSIDER THIS INITIATIVE, BECAUSE IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO THE
17 COMMUNITIES THAT THEY SERVE. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WITNESS.
20 YES.

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22 **MARIA BRENES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR, AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY
23 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARIA BRENES, AND I AM THE
24 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR INNER CITY STRUGGLE BASED IN THE EAST
25 SIDE OF LOS ANGELES HERE REPRESENTING THE VOICES OF OVER 1,200



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1 OF OUR ORGANIZATION'S YOUTH AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN SUPPORT
2 OF THE NEW LOCAL PARK FUNDING MEASURE SO THAT FUTURE
3 GENERATIONS OF OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES CAN BENEFIT FROM
4 EXPANDED AND IMPROVED PARK ACCESS. OUR PREDOMINANTLY LATINO,
5 IMMIGRANT, AND WORKING-CLASS COMMUNITIES OF BOYLE HEIGHTS,
6 UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A., EL SERENO, AND LINCOLN HEIGHTS
7 CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE CRITICAL RESOURCES FOR IMPROVED AND NEW
8 PUBLIC SPACES THAT ARE SO VITAL TO OUR QUALITY OF LIFE.
9 THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS IN THE EAST SIDE ARE NOT ABLE TO ACCESS
10 A SAFE AND WELL-MAINTAINED NEIGHBORHOOD, COMMUNITY, OR
11 REGIONAL PARK OR OPEN SPACE. AGAIN, OUR LOWEST-INCOME
12 COMMUNITIES ARE IN DIRE NEED OF FUNDING TO IMPROVE OUR
13 EXISTING PARKS AND TO MEET THE NEW PARK NEEDS OF OUR
14 RESIDENTS. THANK YOU. WE'RE HERE TO STAND IN SUPPORT.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WE HAVE GARY
17 TOEBBEN, YOLANDA DUARTE, DIEGO RODRIGUEZ, LOURDES CARACOZA.

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19 **GARY TOEBBEN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF
20 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO, MY TESTIMONY IS GOING TO BE A
21 LITTLE DIFFERENT FROM THE ONES THAT YOU'VE JUST HEARD. AS YOU
22 KNOW, I'M THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE LOS ANGELES AREA
23 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. AND WHILE THE CHAMBER CERTAINLY
24 UNDERSTANDS THE IMPORTANCE OF PARKS AND SUPPORTED THE 2014
25 PARKS TAX, PARCEL TAX FOR PARKS, WE DO NOT SUPPORT THE



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1 PROPOSAL BEFORE YOU TODAY, FOR TWO REASONS. FIRST, THERE ARE
2 17 STATE PROPOSITIONS THAT ARE QUALIFIED FOR THE NOVEMBER
3 BALLOT AND ANOTHER FOUR TO SIX LOCAL MEASURES THAT WILL BE
4 ADDED. ON THE LOCAL LEVEL, THE CHAMBER'S PRIORITIES ARE
5 TRANSPORTATION AND HOMELESSNESS. BECAUSE THE TAX INCREASES
6 REQUIRE A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY, WE BELIEVE THAT IT'S NOT
7 STRATEGIC TO ADD ANOTHER ISSUE, LIKE FUNDING FOR PARKS, TO THE
8 NOVEMBER BALLOT. OUR SECOND REASON FOR OPPOSITION IS THAT THE
9 PARCEL TAX THAT WE SUPPORTED DURING THE 1990S AND THEN AGAIN
10 IN 2014 DID NOT USE THE SQUARE-FOOTAGE FORMULA THAT'S BEING
11 PROPOSED TODAY. THE TAX FORMULA IN THE CURRENT PROPOSAL PLACES
12 NEARLY TWO-THIRDS OF THE TAX BURDEN FOR PARKS ON BUSINESSES.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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16 **GARY TOEBBEN:** THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

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20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** MR. TOEBBEN? MR. TOEBBEN?

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GARY? QUESTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT BUSINESS GROUPS WERE
2 OPPOSING THIS PARCEL TAX, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE IMPOSED ON THEIR
3 BUSINESS PROPERTY AS WELL AS RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY.

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5 **GARY TOEBBEN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THE MAIN REASON WAS NOT BALLOT CROWDING, ET
8 CETERA. THEY HAD SAID TO US..

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10 **GARY TOEBBEN:** EXCUSE ME?

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12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** ..THAT THIS WAS A PROBLEM. I'M SORRY. THEIR
13 MAIN REASON WAS NOT BALLOT CROWDING. WHAT THEY HAD SAID TO US
14 WAS THE PROBLEM IS IF THEY HAD A 15,000- SQUARE-FOOT BUSINESS,
15 THEY'D HAVE TO PAY \$200 A YEAR.

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17 **GARY TOEBBEN:** I SHARED THE TWO REASONS, BOTH WE BELIEVE
18 TRANSPORTATION HAS BEEN A HIGH PRIORITY FOR A LONG TIME AND
19 EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS HAVE BEEN SITTING ON THE METRO BOARD
20 AND HOMELESSNESS HAS BEEN A HIGH PRIORITY AND WE BELIEVE THOSE
21 ARE THE TWO HIGHEST PRIORITIES. AND THEN, IN ADDITION, WE
22 BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A RATHER SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FUNDING.
23 YOU HAVE GONE FROM ABOUT 30 PERCENT OF BUSINESS FUNDING TO 60,
24 ALMOST TWO-THIRDS PERCENT.

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** TRUE, BUT THAT'S ALMOST THE EXACT CHANGE IN
2 THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT HAPPENED WITH PROP 13, WHERE BUSINESSES
3 WERE PAYING TWO-THIRDS OF THE PROPERTY TAX AND AFTER PROP 13,
4 RESIDENTS WERE PAYING TWO-THIRDS OF THE PROPERTY TAX. SO, IT
5 SEEMS LIKE BUSINESS WHAT HAS GOTTEN A FAIRLY GOOD DEAL UNDER
6 PROP 13. MAYBE YOU CAN AFFORD A LITTLE MONEY FOR PARKS?
7 [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **GARY TOEBBEN:** SUPERVISOR, I DIDN'T EXPECT TO WIN THIS ARGUMENT
10 WITH YOU. [LAUGHTER.]

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12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I KNOW, AND I APOLOGIZE. THE WAY THEY SET
13 THIS DIAS UP..

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SPOKEN LIKE A GENTLEMAN!

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17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** ..IN TERMS OF THE DIFFERENCE IN HEIGHT. BUT
18 --

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20 **GARY TOEBBEN:** AND WE'RE NOT ARGUING ABOUT THE VALUE OF PARKS
21 TODAY. BUT IT'S PRETTY EASY TO HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE WHEN
22 SOMEBODY ELSE IS PAYING FOR IT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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24 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** RIGHT, AND YOU'VE HAD PLENTY OF OUR CUPS OF
25 COFFEE.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOLANDA DUARTE.

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4 **YOLANDA DUARTE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. MY
5 NAME IS YOLANDA DUARTE. I'M A BUSINESS OWNER AND CONSULTANT TO
6 NONPROFIT AGENCIES WHO SERVE FAMILIES COUNTYWIDE LIVING ON THE
7 FRINGES. AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ALMA FAMILY
8 SERVICES AND ON BEHALF OF THE THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES WHO HAVE
9 CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND WHO USE OUR PARKS EVERY SINGLE
10 DAY, I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE FUNDING INITIATIVE FOR THE PARK.
11 THIS WEEKEND, JULY 4TH, FAMILIES FLOCKED AND ENJOYED OUR PARKS
12 FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTY. IN UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A., THE
13 PARKS ARE ALWAYS AT CAPACITY, BECAUSE IT'S THE ONLY FREE-OF-
14 CHARGE VENUE AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE STRUGGLING TO MEET THE NEEDS
15 AND THEN WORKING TO BUILD HAPPY, HEALTHY FAMILIES IN ADDITION.
16 THIS MEASURE MAKES SENSE, AND THE RESEARCH VALIDATES IT. THE
17 C.D.C. DRAWS A CLEAR CORRELATION BETWEEN EASY ACCESS AND GREEN
18 SPACES AND THE LIKELIHOOD OF EXERCISE, WHICH WE ALL HEARD OF
19 THE BENEFITS. THIS IS IMPORTANT WHEN SO MANY OF US ARE WORKING
20 TO BUILD HEALTHY FAMILIES BY REDUCING OBESITY, PUBLIC HEALTH
21 COSTS AND RELATED TO THESE CHRONIC DISEASES. THANK YOU VERY
22 MUCH.

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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1 **DIEGO RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR SOLIS AND BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ. I'M A LICENSED
3 MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST WITH ALMA FAMILY SERVICES
4 WORKING WITH FAMILIES AND YOUTH AT RISK, AND I ALSO DIRECT
5 PREVENTION AND DIVERSION PROJECTS IN L.A. COUNTY AND IN PARTS
6 OF EAST L.A. AND BOYLE HEIGHTS ON THE CITY'S SIDE. I WOULD
7 LIKE TO EXPRESS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE FUNDING MEASURE FOR OUR
8 COUNTY PARKS. EXTENSIVE RESEARCH, INCLUDING WHAT WE'VE SEEN
9 TODAY, STRESSES THE CRITICAL ROLE PARKS PLAY FOR OUR
10 COMMUNITIES. PARKS ARE SAFE HAVENS FOR MULTI-STRESS FAMILIES.
11 THEY'RE INCUBATORS FOR POSITIVE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. PARKS ARE
12 AN INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC SAFETY. AS WELL, MAINTAINED AND
13 ASSISTED PARKS HAVE SHOWN TO REDUCE CRIME RATES IN
14 COMMUNITIES. PARKS ARE AN INVESTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH, AS
15 THEY PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, IMPACTING
16 RATES OF OBESITY AND DIABETES. AND PARKS ARE ALSO AN
17 INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH, AS INDIVIDUALS WHO SOCIALIZE IN
18 GREEN SPACES DISPLAY LOWER RATES OF STRESS AND ANXIETY. PLEASE
19 PLACE THIS MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT, GIVING A VOICE TO
20 INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES TO DECIDE ON THIS SPECIAL TAX THAT
21 CAN GREATLY IMPACT THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

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1 **LOURDES CARACOZA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK
2 YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK THIS AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS
3 LOURDES CARACOZA. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN EAST LOS ANGELES,
4 AND I, TOO, WORK FOR ALMA FAMILY SERVICES. I'M FORTUNATE
5 ENOUGH TO CONTINUE WORKING AND SERVING IN THE EAST L.A. AND
6 SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. I'M EXCITED TO SUPPORT THIS PARK
7 FUNDING INITIATIVE, BECAUSE IT WILL PROVIDE OUR YOUTH
8 CURRENTLY AND IN THE FUTURE A SAFE HAVEN THAT PROVIDES A
9 HEALTHY LIVING AND PROVIDES A CULTURAL EXPERIENCE OF
10 COMMUNITY. INVESTING IN OUR PARKS IS INVESTING IN THE SAFETY
11 OF OUR FAMILIES. WE FORGET THAT MANY OF OUR FAMILIES THAT ARE
12 IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND THOSE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES CANNOT
13 AFFORD TO GO SPEND THE WEEKEND AT DISNEYLAND, MAGIC MOUNTAIN,
14 AND SOME OF THESE OTHER PARKS AND RECREATION. SO, THE GREEN
15 SPACE IS OUR RECREATIONAL AREA. PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT AND
16 BUILD OUR COMMUNITIES AT OUR PARK. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP
19 BELINDA FAUSTINOS, CHRIS HANNAN, MARK STANLEY, AND ALINA
20 BOKDE.

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22 **BELINDA FAUSTINOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, BELINDA
23 FAUSTINOS, AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS
24 FOREVER COALITION. I ALSO SERVE ON THE OUR PARKS COALITION,
25 AND IT'S MY HONOR TO BE HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THIS MEASURE.



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1 THIS HAS BEEN A LONG TIME COMING. WE HAVE WORKED FOR OVER TWO
2 YEARS NOW TO ENSURE THAT THIS IS A BALANCED MEASURE, THAT IT
3 MEETS THE GREATEST NEEDS OF OUR BROAD COUNTY, WHICH SERVICES
4 EVERYTHING FROM OUR BEACHES TO OUR MOUNTAINS TO THOSE OF OUR
5 URBAN COMMUNITIES AND OUR RIVER COMMUNITIES THAT DESERVE TO
6 HAVE SOME ADDITIONAL OPEN SPACE. AND I CANNOT TELL YOU HOW
7 IMPORTANT I THINK THAT THIS IS TO OUR FUTURE. WE HAVE MANY
8 NEEDS. WE HAVE TO SUPPLY MORE JOBS. WE HAVE TO EDUCATE OUR
9 YOUNG PEOPLE. WE HAVE HEALTH-SERVICE NEEDS. PARKS ARE THAT ONE
10 THING THAT ARE CROSS-CUTTING THAT AFFECT US ALL. AND I REALLY
11 HELP IMPORE YOU TO TAKE UP THIS MEASURE TODAY, PUT IT ON THE
12 BALLOT, AND WE THINK THAT IT IS THE TIME TO BE HIGHLY
13 SUCCESSFUL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANKS, BELINDA. CHRIS.

16

17 **CHRIS HANNAN:** GOOD EVENING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
18 CHRIS HANNAN, COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LOS ANGELES AND
19 ORANGE COUNTIES BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL. ON
20 BEHALF OF THE 140,000 MEMBERS OF OUR COUNCIL, WE ARE FULLY
21 SUPPORTIVE OF PLACING THIS PARKS MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER
22 BALLOT. MANY OF OUR MEMBERS LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SOME
23 OF THEM ARE ACTUALLY EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
24 WE WOULD URGE THE SUPERVISORS AND THE COUNTY LEADERSHIP THAT
25 WHEN WE DO GET THIS PARKS MEASURE PASSED, THAT WE TAKE EVERY



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1 OPPORTUNITY TO LEVERAGE IT TO CREATE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES. HERE
2 AT THE COUNCIL, WE'RE FOR BETTERING LIVES THROUGHOUT LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY FOR EVERYBODY, INCLUDING THE WORKERS. WE WOULD
4 URGE THAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WORKERS, WHETHER THEY BE
5 COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR THROUGH CONTRACTORS CREATE OPPORTUNITIES
6 FOR YOUNG AND ALL TO CREATE BETTER OPPORTUNITIES AND PATHWAYS
7 TO CAREERS THROUGH APPRENTICESHIP. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **ALINA BOKDE:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. ALINA BOKDE, EXECUTIVE
12 DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. THANK YOU
13 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING
14 THIS CRITICAL QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUE: PARKS. AS A MEMBER OF THE
15 OUR PARKS COALITION, WE BELIEVE THAT SAFE, QUALITY PARKS AND
16 OPEN SPACES PLAY AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN THE SOCIAL, HEALTH AND
17 ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC VITALITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES IN THE
18 COUNTY. THE LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST IS A PROUD
19 MEMBER OF THE COUNTYWIDE PARK NEEDS ASSESSMENTS STEERING
20 COMMITTEE, AND AS YOU HEARD, THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT IDENTIFIED
21 OVER \$21 BILLION OF NEED. THE NEED ASSESSMENT ALSO IDENTIFIED
22 OVER 50 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY AS HIGH-NEED AND VERY-HIGH-NEED
23 AREAS. WE THEREFORE SUPPORT THE DEDICATED FUNDING CATEGORY
24 THAT SUPPORTS THIS HIGH NEED AND VERY HIGH NEED. POLLING ALSO
25 SUPPORTS THE AREAS THAT WERE IDENTIFIED IN THE PARK NEEDS



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1 ASSESSMENT. THE LOCAL PARK FUNDING MEASURE WILL SOON EXPIRE,
2 SO WE ARE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED PARK FUNDING MEASURE
3 THAT'S SO VITAL TO OUR QUALITY OF LIFE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO ASK FOR MARY
6 BETH VAGARA TO STEP FORWARD, BRADY COLLINS, MATTHEW RUDNICK,
7 DIANA GADDI. GO AHEAD, SIR.

8

9 **BRADY COLLINS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS BRADY COLLINS, A POLICY
10 ANALYST AT THE KOREATOWN IMMIGRANT WORKERS ALLIANCE, K.I.W.A.
11 WE ARE PLEASED THAT THE COUNTY HAS CONDUCTED A PARKS NEED
12 ASSESSMENT. AND AS THE STUDY SHOWS, KOREATOWN IS THE MOST
13 PARK-POOR NEIGHBORHOOD IN LOS ANGELES AND ONE OF THE MOST
14 PARK-POOR IN THE URBAN UNITED STATES. THIS IS NOT NEWS FOR
15 K.I.W.A. AND OUR MEMBERS. HOWEVER, HAVING BEEN A PART OF THE
16 DIVERSE KOREATOWN COMMUNITY, MADE UP PREDOMINANTLY OF LOW-WAGE
17 IMMIGRANT WORKERS, FOR OVER 24 YEARS WE HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND
18 THE EFFECTS THIS HAS HAD ON RESIDENTS. IN FACT, WITH THE
19 POPULATION OF NEARLY 200,000 IN LESS THAN 4 SQUARE MILES,
20 KOREATOWN IS ALSO THE DENSEST NEIGHBORHOOD IN LOS ANGELES.
21 WITHOUT PARK SPACE TO ALLEVIATE THIS DENSITY, OUR CHILDREN
22 HAVE NOWHERE TO PLAY AND EXERCISE, OUR AIR QUALITY SUFFERS,
23 BECAUSE WE HAVE NOWHERE FOR FAMILIES TO RECREATE OUT OF THE
24 HOT SUN, WHERE GREENHOUSE GASES ARE CURTAILED AND WHERE
25 RESIDENTS CAN GROWN COMMUNITY GARDENS. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT ANY



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1 LOCAL PARK FUNDING MEASURE, BUT WE HOPE THAT THERE'S ALSO
2 COMMITMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SO WE CAN ENSURE THAT
3 WORKING-CLASS NEIGHBORHOODS LIKE KOREATOWN HAVE ACCESS TO
4 PARKS REGARDLESS OF THEIR RESIDENTS' INCOME, RACE OR
5 ETHNICITY. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GREAT. GO AHEAD, SIR.

8

9 **MATTHEW RUDNICK:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
10 MATTHEW RUDNICK, AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE CITY OF LOS
11 ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS. WE SIMPLY WANTED
12 TO ADD OUR VOICE IN SUPPORT OF PLACING THE MEASURE ON THE
13 NOVEMBER BALLOT. THE CITY OF L.A. REPRESENTED 43 OF THE STUDY
14 AREAS LOOKED AT IN THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT, MANY OF WHICH ARE
15 HIGH-NEED AND VERY-HIGH-NEED AREAS OF THE COUNTY. ONE THING I
16 WANTED TO NOTE WAS THAT \$21 BILLION OF PARK INFRASTRUCTURE
17 NEED IS REALLY THE NEED OF TODAY. AND WHAT WE NEED TO PLAN FOR
18 IS THE NEED 30 YEARS FROM TODAY. AND SO, CERTAINLY THE NEED IS
19 THERE. I ALSO WANTED TO JUST, FROM A FUNDING AND PROJECT
20 DELIVERY STANDPOINT, WHAT'S SO VITAL AND WHAT HAS BEEN VITAL
21 ABOUT PROP A IS THAT IT PROVIDES A FOUNDATION OF FUNDING FROM
22 WHICH WE CAN LEVERAGE ADDITIONAL LOCAL, STATE, AND
23 PHILANTHROPIC FUNDS. IT REALLY PROVIDES THAT NEST EGG TO THEN
24 BUILD AND MULTIPLY THE DOLLARS IN ORDER TO DELIVER MANY OF
25 THESE PROJECTS. SO, AGAIN, JUST WANTED TO THANK THE PARKS



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1 DEPARTMENT, AND ALL THE PARK PARTNERS HERE. THANK YOU VERY
2 MUCH.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. KATE KUYKENDALL, ARACELI
5 ALVARADO, JENNIFER BINSTOCK, MICHAEL WOO, GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,
6 ZOE MUNTANER, AND KRISNA VELASCO. GO AHEAD.

7

8 **KATE KUYKENDALL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KATE
9 KUYKENDALL. I'M THE ACTING DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT FOR SANTA
10 MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS
11 THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICES COMMENDATION FOR THE COUNTY PARKS
12 NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND OUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECTS AND
13 PROGRAMS RECOMMENDED IN THE DRAFT PARKS MEASURE. THE NATIONAL
14 PARK SERVICE IS NOT ONLY ONE OF L.A. COUNTY'S PARKS AGENCIES
15 BUT ALSO THE ONLY FEDERAL AGENCY WITH A LEGISLATIVE MANDATE TO
16 PROVIDE FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF OUR PARKS AND PUBLIC LANDS. YOUR
17 ASSESSMENT CONFIRMS THAT MANY COUNTY RESIDENTS LACK ACCESS TO
18 WHAT SHOULD BE THE MOST DEMOCRATIC OF INSTITUTIONS: PUBLIC
19 PARKS. YOUR DRAFT MEASURE PROVIDES A WAY TO SOLVE IT. THANK
20 YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. WE STAND WITH YOU AND LOOK FORWARD TO
21 WORKING WITH YOU. OUR OWN COMMITMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
22 LED US TO LOCATE OUR OFFICE FOR THE EASTERN SANTA MONICA
23 MOUNTAINS IN A RED COMMUNITY, AT EL PUEBLO, OFFERING PARK
24 SERVICES WHERE THEY ARE NEEDED MOST. OUR MISSION IS ALSO TO
25 PROTECT AND RESTORE OUR NATURAL INHERITANCE. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING BY. NEXT?

3

4 **ZOE MUNTANER:** GOOD EVENING AND GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ZOE
5 MUNTANER. I'M THE FOUNDER OF COMPASSIONATE SANTA MONICA. AT
6 TIMES WHEN THE GENTRIFICATION SEEMS TO BE TAKING OVER MANY
7 NEIGHBORHOODS IN L.A., DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IRONICALLY HAVE
8 BECOME HOT TOPICS OF DISCUSSION. TO ME, THIS IS AN
9 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUE. THE TAG LINE AND MISSION OF
10 COMPASSIONATE SANTA MONICA IS TO BUILD COMPASSIONATE CITIES
11 BEYOND THE BORDERS OF SANTA MONICA. THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO
12 AFFIRM COMPASSION AND EMPATHY. PARKS ARE A VITAL ASPECT OF OUR
13 COMMUNITY. I'M LUCKY TO LIVE IN A CITY THAT EMBRACES THE
14 DEVELOPMENT OF PARKS. WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FORWARD TO
15 TRANSFORMING OUR LOCAL AIRPORT TO A PARK IF THAT ISSUE EVER
16 GETS RESOLVED IN THE COURTS. COMPASSION KNOWS NO BOUNDARIES.
17 THEREFORE, I SPEAK TO ENSURE MY NEIGHBORS IN L.A. COUNTY HAVE
18 THE ACCESS THAT I HAVE IN SANTA MONICA. THE DATA IS UNDENIABLE
19 HERE. PARKS BECOME WHAT IN LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES ARE KNOWN
20 AS PLAZAS. PARKS ARE DEMOCRATIC AREAS OF ENJOYMENT, WELL-
21 BEING, EQUITY, AND WELL-BEING. EVERY EXPERIENCE THAT WE HAVE
22 NEEDS TO BE WELL-DESIGNED. THERE IS NO BETTER WAY OF DOING
23 THIS VIA A PROJECT.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.



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MICHAEL WOO: MADAME CHAIR, I'M MICHAEL WOO, DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN AT CAL POLY POMONA. THIS MEASURE PROPOSED TODAY IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR THE FUTURE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WITH PEOPLE SPENDING MORE AND MORE TIME STUCK IN TRAFFIC, WITH MORE AND MORE PEOPLE LIVING IN DENSER ENVIRONMENTS, AND WITH THE HEALTH AND ECONOMIC INEQUALITY ISSUES FACING THE COUNTY, THIS IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT MEASURE FOR THE FUTURE POPULATION. SO, I URGE YOU TO APPROVE IT, AND I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT WE HAVE FACULTY AND STUDENTS AT CAL POLY POMONA WHO WOULD LOVE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT FROM THE USE OF THESE FUNDS. THANK YOU.

14

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YES, GENEVIEVE?

16

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM NOT OPPOSED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT PARKS, BUT I WILL ALSO LOVE FOR YOU TO LOOK AND STOP HAVING ALL THOSE SOLE-VENDOR CONTRACTS ALMOST EVERY WEEK. I MEAN, WE ARE SPENDING MONEY RIGHT AND LEFT. AND THE SAME THING TO HAPPEN WITH THE MONEY THAT WAS GOING TO BE PUT FOR THE PARKS. IT IS GOING TO BE SOLE-VENDOR CONTRACT HERE, SOLE-VENDOR CONTRACT THERE, AND THAT HAS TO STOP. LIKE TODAY, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MEMBERS OF YOUR TEAM PASS OUT ALL THOSE SIGNS. YOU



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1 KNOW, THERE'S NOTHING WRONG ABOUT DOING P.R., BUT YOU ARE
2 BREAKING THE RULE YOU HAVE PUSHED TO ENFORCE ALL THE TIME. YOU
3 HAVE PROHIBITED CONSISTENTLY TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO BRING SIGNS,
4 AND PEOPLE FROM YOUR OFFICE, WHO I'M SURE YOU HAVE PAID TO
5 HAVE PRINT, DISTRIBUTED THOSE. FAIRNESS IS A VERY IMPORTANT
6 THING. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I BEG TO DIFFER WITH YOU, BECAUSE
9 PEOPLE BRING SIGNS IN AND CAN EVEN WEAR SIGNS ON THEIR T-
10 SHIRTS, AND THAT'S ONE OF OUR FIRST BASIC RIGHTS, FIRST
11 AMENDMENT. THANK YOU. SO, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **KRISNA VELASCO:** KRISNA VELASCO. I'M GLAD I HAD MY SIGN TODAY,
14 BECAUSE I AM IN FAVOR OF THIS. I WANT TO BE SURE, BECAUSE I'M
15 HOPING THAT WE GET TO VOTE ON THIS TONIGHT. IT'S ALREADY
16 PROVEN THAT PEOPLE OF ALL AGES DO BENEFIT WHEN THEY HAVE
17 ACCESS TO FERTILE AND VERSATILE LANDS, AREAS THAT PROVIDE A
18 PLACE TO PLAY, EXERCISE, AND COMMUNE WITH EACH OTHER. SO, I'M
19 HOPING WE GET A YES VOTE FROM ALL OUR SUPERVISORS TONIGHT.
20 THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D ALSO LIKE TO CALL UP
23 JOSE CALDERON. NEXT SPEAKER. GO AHEAD.

24



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1 **JENNY:** GOOD EVENING, MY NAME IS JENNY BINSTOCK. I'M A POLICY
2 ADVOCATE WITH THE TREE PEOPLE AND WE ARE A PROUD MEMBER OF THE
3 OUR PARKS COALITION AND SUPPORTER OF THIS MEASURE. PARKS AND
4 OPEN SPACES PROVIDE SO MANY ESSENTIAL ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND
5 ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS TO OUR COMMUNITIES, AND INVESTMENTS IN
6 THEM TODAY GUARANTEE A LASTING QUALITY OF LIFE FOR COMMUNITIES
7 THROUGHOUT L.A., FROM THE MOST URBAN AREAS TO RURAL SPACES.
8 THEY NOT ONLY PROVIDE IMPORTANT GATHERING SPACES FOR
9 COMMUNITIES TO RELAX AND PLAY, OF COURSE, BUT THEY
10 INCREASINGLY PROVIDE CRITICAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTIONS FROM
11 EXTREME-HEAT DAYS AND ARE A KEY PART OF GREENING STRATEGIES TO
12 CAPTURE AND CLEAN URBAN RAINWATER RAINOFF THAT WOULD OTHERWISE
13 FLOW TO THE OCEAN. IN THE ERA OF CLIMATE CHANGE, THESE ARE
14 STRATEGIES FOR SURVIVAL THROUGHOUT THIS REGION. THANK YOU TO
15 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND KUEHL FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN INITIATING
16 THE PLANNING FOR A POTENTIAL MMEASURE THIS FALL. THANK YOU TO
17 SUPERVISORS RIDLEY-THOMAS AND ANTONOVICH FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
18 IN INITIATING THIS UNPRECEDENTED COUNTYWIDE NEEDS ASSESSMENT,
19 AND THANKS TO COUNTY AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICTS FOR THE
20 THOROUGH, INCLUSIVE, AND COMPREHENSIVE WAY IT WAS IMPLEMENTED.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY, WE HAVE ARACELI
23 ALVARADO, ZOE MUNTANER, DIANA GADDI, GABRIELA HERNANDEZ, OMAR
24 GOMEZ, LAURA TORRES, EDGAR DEL CAMPO, THERESA BRADY. CINDY



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1 MONTANEZ, SALLY GARCIA, DEANDRE VALENCIA. PLEASE STATE YOUR
2 NAME.

3

4 **LAURA TORRES:** HI. MY NAME IS LAURA TORRES, AND I'M HERE ON
5 BEHALF OF THE NATIONAL PARKS CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION. I
6 TOTALLY RELATE TO ALL THE BENEFITS AND THE NEED FOR HAVING
7 OPEN GREEN SPACES. I AM AND HAVE BEEN FOR MOST OF MY LIFE A
8 RESIDENT OF BOYLE HEIGHTS. SO, THE BENEFITS OF A GREEN SPACE
9 SPEAK TO ME PERSONALLY. I FELT LIKE MY LIFE OPENED UP AND I
10 BECAME A MUCH BETTER PERSON ONCE I HAD ACCESS TO MORE GREEN
11 SPACE. I RECOGNIZE THAT MANY PEOPLE IN MY COMMUNITY STILL
12 DON'T HAVE THAT SPACE. AND AS A REPRESENTER FOR THE NATIONAL
13 PARKS CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION, WE ARE MORE THAN HAPPY TO
14 SUPPORT THIS MEASURE, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING MORE GREEN
15 SPACES. WHETHER THEY'RE AT A NATIONAL LEVEL OR THEY'RE AT A
16 LOCAL LEVEL, THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THERE ARE SO MANY BENEFITS
17 TO EVERYONE FROM A GREEN SPACE THAT'S MAINTAINED, THAT'S SAFE,
18 AND THAT'S WELL-STAFFED SO PEOPLE ARE WELCOMED.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES

21

22 **DEANDRE VALENCIA:** HI. MY NAME IS DEANDRE VALENCIA, AND THANK
23 YOU FOR LETTING ME TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF THE BUILDING INDUSTRY
24 ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, VENTURA
25 COUNTY CHAPTER. AS YOU ALL KNOW, WE REPRESENT ABOUT 1,100



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1 MEMBERS INVOLVED IN THE BUILDING OF HOMES IN SOUTHERN
2 CALIFORNIA AS WELL AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HERE TODAY TO
3 ADDRESS THE BUILDING INDUSTRY'S CONCERNS. FOR ONE, WE ARE NOT
4 OPPOSED NOR FOR THIS MEASURE, BUT WE ARE -- WE HAVE CONCERNS
5 REGARDING THE TIMING OF THIS MEASURE ON THIS NOVEMBER BALLOT.
6 THERE ARE MANY PRESSING ISSUES FACING LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SUCH
7 AS THE HOMELESSNESS, HOUSING AFFORDABILITY, PUBLIC
8 INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORTATION AND THE LACK OF FUNDING FOR
9 EDUCATION FACILITIES THAT HAVE CRIPPLED OUR ABILITIES FOR A
10 ROBUST ECONOMY AND ASSURED QUALITY OF LIFE FOR LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY RESIDENTS. THE BUILDING INDUSTRY STRONGLY BELIEVES THE
12 NUMBER-ONE PRIORITY SHOULD BE ADDRESSING THE RAPID
13 HOMELESSNESS AND LACK OF HOUSING AFFORDABILITY THAT PLAGUES
14 OUR COUNTY.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BRIAN BALDAUF, RAYMOND
17 RIOS, KAREN FLORES, PAMELA MARQUEZ, MAX PODEMSKI, JILL
18 SOURIAL, CAMILLE MORRIS. GO AHEAD.

19

20 **PAMELA MARQUEZ:** MY NAME IS PAMELA MARQUEZ FROM CONCERNED
21 NEIGHBORS OF EL SERENO, A CO-FOUNDER OF THE EL SERENO ARROYO
22 PLAYGROUND, AND A MEMBER OF THE PLAYGROUND VECINOS, A GROUP OF
23 RESIDENTS DEDICATED TO PROTECTING OUR PARK AND COMMUNITY.
24 PARKS AND GREEN SPACE ARE VITAL TO OUR COMMUNITIES. YOU'VE
25 HEARD PLENTY ABOUT THE HEALTH BENEFITS AND OTHER ASPECTS. I'M



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1 HERE TO TELL YOU WHAT PARKS CAN DO FOR A COMMUNITY. THE SMALL,
2 1.2-ACRE PLAYGROUND WE BUILT JUST 2-1/2 YEARS AGO HAS BROUGHT
3 OUR NEIGHBORS TOGETHER AND TRANSFORMED OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S
4 FILLED DAILY WITH CHILDREN, ADULTS AND SENIORS SEEKING A SAFE
5 PLACE TO PLAY, EXERCISE, AND SOCIALIZE. NEW FAMILIES ARE
6 MOVING IN, AND OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HAS NEVER LOOKED BETTER AND
7 BEEN SAFER. IT'S SO CLEAR HOW DESPERATELY THIS PARK WAS
8 NEEDED, A BEAUTIFUL GREEN AND PLAY SPACE THAT NEIGHBORS COULD
9 WALK TO EVERY DAY, SINCE THE ONLY OTHER PARK WAS OVER 3-1/2
10 MILES AWAY. THE COMMUNITY TAKES IMMENSE PRIDE IN THE PARK, AND
11 IT LOOKS EVEN BETTER TODAY THAN WHEN IT FIRST OPENED. IT IS
12 THE JEWEL OF OUR COMMUNITY. WE WORKED TO HAVE THIS PARK BUILT,
13 BECAUSE IT WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY. I URGE
14 ALL OF YOU TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND SUPPORT THE PARKS
15 INITIATIVE. LET THAT BE YOUR LEGACY TO THE RESIDENTS AND
16 FAMILIES OF L.A. COUNTY FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THANK YOU.

17

18 **MAX PODEMSKI:** HELLO. MY NAME IS MAX PODEMSKI. I'M THE PLANNING
19 DIRECTOR FOR PACOIMA BEAUTIFUL. I'M SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF THE
20 PARKS FUNDING MEASURE. OUR ORGANIZATION IS ONE OF THE FEW
21 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE NONPROFITS REPRESENTING THE NORTHEAST
22 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST ENVIRONMENTALLY
23 IMPACTED AND PARK-POOR AREAS IN THE COUNTY, WHICH WAS SHOWN IN
24 THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT. WE SEE MORE PARKS AS CRITICAL TO THE
25 HEALTH OF OUR RESIDENTS. THIS MEASURE WILL HELP FUND IMPORTANT



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1 PROJECTS FOR OUR AREA, SUCH AS THE PACOIMA WASH GREENWAY,
2 WHICH WILL LINK TOGETHER NEW AND EXISTING OPEN SPACE AND
3 CONNECT RESIDENTS TO THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST. I URGE YOU
4 TO SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS?

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8 **RAYMOND RIOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME
9 IS RAYMOND RIOS. I'M A 55-YEAR-OLD RESIDENT FROM BOYLE HEIGHTS
10 AND CURRENTLY RESIDING IN HILLSIDE VILLAGE IN EL SERENO. I'M
11 HERE THIS AFTERNOON TO STRONGLY URGE YOUR BOARD TO SUPPORT AND
12 PLACE ON THIS NOVEMBER'S BALLOT A MEASURE THAT WOULD CREATE A
13 SO URGENTLY NEEDED FUNDING SOURCE FOR OUR PUBLIC PARKS. I AM A
14 TOTAL PRODUCT OF BEING POSITIVELY INFLUENCED BY OUR LOCAL
15 PARKS. AS A CHILD GROWING UP IN THE 60S, WE EXPLORED THE
16 NATURAL WONDERS OF HAZARD PARK WETLANDS. WE SPENT OUR
17 COUNTLESS SUMMERS IN SWIMMING POOLS SUCH AS EL SERENO AND
18 LINCOLN PARK. WE REMEMBER OUR PARKS BEING IN PRISTINE
19 CONDITION BACK THEN. BUT UNFORTUNATELY, TODAY MANY OUR PARKS
20 SEEM VERY NEGLECTED. FOR THIS REASON MYSELF AND MANY OTHER
21 VOLUNTEERS, DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS CLOSELY WORK WITH MANY
22 ADVISORY BOARDS IN OUR AREA, INCLUDING HAZARD PARK, ASCOT
23 HILLS NATURE PARK, AND HISTORIC LINCOLN PARK. AND IF I MAY AT
24 THIS TIME SINCERELY THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR SUPPORTING OUR
25 LINCOLN PARK INDEPENDENCE DAY CONCERT AND FIREWORKS SHOW. IT



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1 WAS TRULY A BENEFICIAL AND BEAUTIFUL EVENT FOR OUR RESIDENTS.
2 AS A COMMITTED COMMUNITY ADVOCATE FOR FUNDING, FUNDING IS
3 ALWAYS A PRIMARY CHALLENGE TO MANY GREAT IDEAS FOR OUR
4 COMMUNITY.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. TIME'S UP.

7

8 **RAYMOND RIOS:** BUT IF YOU WOULD JUST THIS BALLOT, WE WOULD
9 REALLY APPRECIATE IT. WE'RE RIGHT THERE ON THE GROUND FLOOR,
10 AND WE'RE DOING A LOT OF THE WORK. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT PLEASE.

13

14 **CAMILLE MORRIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CAMILLE MORRIS, AND
15 I LIVE IN THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES AREA. I'M A RESIDENT LEADER
16 WITH THE LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST AND A SIERRA CLUB
17 MEMBER IN THE BUILDING BRIDGES TO THE OUTDOORS CHAPTER. IN THE
18 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THERE IS A \$20 BILLION PARK NEED. WITH
19 THIS INFORMATION, IT SHOWS THAT WE TRULY NEED MORE PARK
20 FUNDING THAT IS EQUITY DRIVEN. WHEN GREEN SPACES ARE CREATED
21 IN MY COMMUNITY, KIDS WON'T HAVE TO PLAY IN THE HALLWAYS OF
22 APARTMENT BUILDINGS AND IN THE STREETS. GREEN SPACES LIKE
23 GARDENS CAN EDUCATE AND ENRICH LIVES OF PEOPLE IN THE
24 COMMUNITY AND ALSO REDUCE THE RISK OF OBESITY AND OTHER
25 CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES, AND NOT TO FORGET THE MANY



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1 ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY. I SUPPORT THE FUNDING
2 CATEGORY THAT WILL ADDRESS THE HIGH-NEED AND VERY-HIGH NEED
3 AREAS. I URGE YOU TO PLACE PARKS FUNDING ON THE NOVEMBER 2016
4 BALLOT. SUPERVISORS, WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TODAY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **KAREN FLORES:** HI, MY NAME IS KAREN FLORES. I'M A RESIDENT OF
9 BURBANK. I'M SPEAKING TODAY IN SUPPORT OF OPEN SPACE AND
10 WILDLIFE HABITAT CORRIDORS AND CONNECTIVITY ARE GOING TO BE
11 PROTECTING MOUNTAIN LIONS AND BOBCATS AND POSSUMS AND SKUNKS
12 AND SNAKES AND SNAILS AND ALL OF THE AMAZING CREATURES THAT
13 LIVE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE LOVE OUR SUN. WE LOVE OUR
14 WEATHER. WE LOVE OUR CLIMATE. IT IS RARE. IT IS PRECIOUS. AND
15 WE NEED TO PRESERVE ALL OF THESE PARCELS THAT ARE BEING
16 THREATENED BY DEVELOPMENT. THE REASON WE'RE HERE IS BECAUSE OF
17 THE NATURE. IT'S BEAUTIFUL HERE, AND WE MUST PRESERVE IT. AND
18 WE NEED TO TAKE CARE OF IT WITH RANGER PATROL, WITH
19 MAINTENANCE. WE HAVE A LOT OF DEAD TREES FROM DROUGHT AND
20 DISEASE THAT WE NEED TO MANAGE. WE NEED TO ENRICH OUR TREE
21 CANOPY. WE HAVE NATURE EDUCATION WE NEED TO PAY ATTENTION TO
22 SO THAT THE NEXT GENERATION WILL ALSO BE STEWARDS. THANK YOU
23 FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO HEAD. YES.



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JILL SOURIAL: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JILL SOURIAL. I'M THE URBAN CONSERVATION DIRECTOR FOR THE NATURE CONSERVANCY. WE ARE A NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL NONPROFIT. ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS, WE ARE VERY PROUD TO BE PART OF THE OUR PARKS L.A. COALITION. THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT HAS BEEN CONDUCTED HAS BEEN VERY THOROUGH, AND WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE CARE AND ATTENTION THAT YOU'VE GIVEN TO ENSURE THAT THESE VITAL RESOURCES ARE IN OUR COMMUNITIES FOR BOTH PEOPLE AND NATURE. PARKS PROVIDE NOT ONLY... WELL, BENEFITS TO WELL-BEING AND HEALTH BUT THEY ALSO PROVIDE A COST-EFFECTIVE NETWORK OF RESILIENT GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WILL SERVE THE COUNTY FOR YEARS TO COME. IT IS AN INVESTMENT IN OUR FUTURE, AND WE URGE A YES VOTE. WE BELIEVE THAT THE POLLING SUPPORTS THIS MEASURE, AND WE ARE COMMITTED TO SUCCESS IN NOVEMBER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YEAH, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP BRIAN BALDAUF, JOHNNY JIMENEZ, GEORGINA SERRANO, EDUARDO CRUZ, ALEJANDRA MONTOYA, MEREDITH MCCARTHY. GO AHEAD. STATE YOUR NAME.

22

JOHNNY JIMENEZ: HELLO. MY NAME IS JOHNNY JIMENEZ. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, FIRST OF ALL, AND I'M A MEMBER OF ANAHUAK AND A RESIDENT LEADER OF LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. I WANT



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1 MORE PARKS, BECAUSE I WOULD LIKE TO STAY MORE ACTIVE MORE THAN
2 ONCE A WEEK. I USUALLY SPEND MY TIME PLAYING SOCCER, WHICH IS
3 MY FAVORITE SPORT. MANY CHILDREN HAVE LITTLE OR ALMOST NO
4 ACCESS TO PARKS, AND THIS IS AN ISSUE IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD. AND,
5 SUPERVISORS, WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TODAY. I URGE YOU TO PLACE
6 THE PARKS FUNDING ON THE NOVEMBER 2016 BALLOT. THANK YOU FOR
7 YOUR TIME.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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11 **ALEJANDRA MONTOYA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR THE
12 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. MY NAME IS ALEJANDRA MONTOYA, AND
13 I LIVE IN WILMINGTON. I AM A RESIDENT LEADER WITH THE LOS
14 ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. WE ALL NEED PARKS FOR VARIOUS
15 POSITIVE REASONS. FOR EXAMPLE, WILMINGTON IS HIGHLY IMPACTED
16 WITH ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION AND IS IN DIRE NEED OF MORE PARKS
17 TO OFFSET THE EFFECTS OF THIS POLLUTION. ACCORDING TO THE
18 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, THERE ARE ABOUT 15 MAJOR
19 REFINERIES IN CALIFORNIA. 8 OF THOSE 15 REFINERIES ARE IN
20 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND 4 OF THOSE 8 ARE IN WILMINGTON. WE
21 ALSO HAVE OIL-DRILLING COMPANIES, AUTO DISMANTLERS, RECYCLING
22 FACILITIES, SEWAGE PLANTS, DIESEL TRUCKS, TRAINS, AND I COULD
23 GO ON AND ON. AND WE IN WILMINGTON NEED 1 MILLION TREES.
24 SUPERVISORS, I URGE YOU TO PLEASE PLACE THE PARK MEASURE ON
25 THE NOVEMBER 2016 BALLOT AND ASK THAT FUNDS BE DIRECTED TO



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1 HIGH AND VERY-HIGH-NEEDS AREAS. SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR
2 YOUR TIME. I APPRECIATE IT. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, YOUNG MAN.

5

6 **EDUARDO CRUZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HI.
7 MY NAME IS EDUARDO CRUZ, I LIVE IN HIGHLAND PARK, AND I AM A
8 MEMBER OF ANAHUAK SPORTS AND A RESIDENT LEADER WITH THE LOS
9 ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. WE ALL NEED FUNDING FOR
10 PARKS, BECAUSE WITHOUT PARKS, KIDS DO NOT HAVE A SAFE
11 ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH THEY CAN SOCIALIZE AND INTERACT. WITHOUT
12 PARKS, IT IS MORE LIKELY FOR KIDS TO STAY AT HOME AND BE
13 UNPRODUCTIVE OR GO TO THE STREETS AND ENCOUNTER NEGATIVE
14 INFLUENCES. I HAVE SEEN THIS HAPPEN TO PERSONAL FRIENDS OF
15 MINE. THAT'S WHY I THINK IT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. THIS IS VERY
16 IMPORTANT TO ME, BECAUSE I PLAY SOCCER, AND AT THESE PARKS AND
17 WITHOUT THESE FUNDED PROGRAMS, I CANNOT STAY ACTIVE THE WAY
18 THAT I LIKE TO. PLEASE FUND OUR PARKS, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
19 LEADERSHIP.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **MEREDITH MCCARTHY:** GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS MEREDITH MCCARTHY.
24 I'M DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS AT HEAL THE BAY. HEAL THE BAY IS
25 PROUD TO BE PART OF THE OUR PARKS COALITION, WHICH RECOGNIZED



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1 PARKS AS PART OF THE 21ST CENTURY INFRASTRUCTURE IN ORDER TO
2 LEVERAGE WATERSHED MASTER PLANNING PROCESS. HEAL THE BAY HAS
3 WORKED FOR 30 YEARS TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH. WE SEE PARKS,
4 OPEN SPACE, ALONGSIDE HOMELESSNESS AS HAVING A CRITICAL
5 CONNECTION. WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THE LEADERSHIP ADDRESSING
6 THESE ISSUES. TACKLING HOMELESSNESS AND PARKS FUNDING ARE
7 COMPLEMENTARY EFFORTS, BUT WE NEED TO STOP TRYING TO SOLVE
8 THESE ISSUES IN SILOS. 47,000 HOMELESS PEOPLE, MANY OF WHICH
9 HAVE NO OTHER OPTION BUT TO USE FACILITIES AND PARKS TO LIVE.
10 PARKS WERE NOT DESIGNED TO SUPPORT SUCH AN IMMENSE POPULATION.
11 WE ARE LOOKING TOWARDS YOUR LEADERSHIP TO SHOW US HOW THESE
12 ISSUES FIT TOGETHER AND HOW FUNDING CAN BE LEVERAGED INSTEAD
13 OF HORSE TRADED. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES?

16

17 **ANGELITA USHER PARKER:** HI. MY NAME IS ANGELITA USHER PARKER. I
18 LIVE IN SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES. I AM ALSO WITH THE LOS
19 ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST, AND, OF COURSE, I'M A
20 REGISTERED VOTER. SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
21 ON THE CONTINUED NEEDS ASSESSMENT. THE FINDINGS SHOW THAT
22 THERE IS A \$20-PLUS-BILLION-DOLLARS PARK NEED IN THE COUNTY OF
23 LOS ANGELES. WE ARE ONLY PARKS AND RECREATION. MY CHILDREN AND
24 GRANDCHILDREN NEED A PLACE WHERE THEY COULD HAVE A PRECINCT OF
25 PEACE TO MEET AND PLAY SAFELY. I NEED PARK TO EXERCISE FOR MY



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1 HEALTH. WITHOUT PARKS TO GO TO, THERE ARE AN AREA OF
2 CATASTROPHIC CARES WHERE THEY WITNESS GANG ACTIVITIES,
3 PROSTITUTION, DRUGS, AND UNFORTUNATELY MENTAL ILLNESS AND
4 HOMELESSNESS. I URGE YOU TO PLACE THE PARK FUNDING ON THE
5 NOVEMBER 2016 BALLOT. THANKS.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YELENA ZELTSEY, GEORGINA
8 SERRANO, BRIAN BALDAUF, ANTONIO ACOSTA, ZULLY FLORES, MARI
9 MERCADO. GO AHEAD, SIR.

10

11 **ANTONIO ACOSTA:** HELLO, YES. MY NAME IS ANTONIO ACOSTA. I AM
12 ACTUALLY A PART OF THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SPEAK INTO THE MIC.

15

16 **ANTONIO ACOSTA:** I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES
17 CONSERVATION CORPS FOR OUR PARKS, AND I AM 100-PERCENT
18 SUPPORTIVE TOWARDS IT. IT ACTUALLY HAS HELPED ME DEVELOP MANY
19 SKILLS, AS MANY YOUTH HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN THROUGH THIS PROGRAM,
20 AS WELL. MANY OF THE YOUTH PROGRAMS THAT ACTUALLY WERE HERE
21 PROBABLY HAVE LEFT RIGHT NOW, DUE TO WHATEVER SITUATION HAD TO
22 GO THROUGH. I FEEL THE SAME WAY AS THEY DO. THEY SUPPORT IT. I
23 SUPPORT IT. I FEEL THAT YOU GUYS SHOULD GIVE THIS A CHANCE. I
24 KNOW THAT OVER THE TIME PERIODS, THIS WILL HELP EVERYONE FROM
25 OUR GENERATION TO YOUNGER GENERATIONS AND GENERATIONS TO COME.



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1 ON BEHALF OF ALL THE YOUTH, MYSELF, AND OTHER CONSERVATION
2 CORPS AND OTHER YOUTH GROUPS, I FEEL THAT THIS PROPOSITION
3 SHOULD BE PASSED FOR THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER. THANK YOU FOR
4 YOUR TIME, AND HAVE A GREAT DAY.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

7

8 **ZULLY FLORES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ZULLY FLORES FROM
9 MARSON PARK. I AM A RESIDENT OF PANORAMA CITY. I AM A
10 VOLUNTEER LEADER WITH THE ORGANIZATION LOS ANGELES
11 NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST SINCE 2003. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO
12 THANK YOUR SUPERVISOR FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE OF YOUR
13 NEIGHBORHOOD PARK THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WE NEED
14 TO CONSTRUCT MORE PARKS AND THE FOLLOWING TOURISM. FIRST, OUR
15 YOUTH ARE IN NEED OF SPACE WHERE RECREATION IS ENCOURAGED,
16 ESPECIALLY IN THE FORMS OF EXERCISE, SPORT, WHICH CAN
17 DISCOURAGE MINOR CRIMES SUCH AS GRAFFITI AND ILLICIT DRUG USE.
18 SECOND, WE LOOK TO YOU AS INDIVIDUALS AND LEADERS WHO CAN
19 INVEST IN THE FUTURE FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. THESE PARKS ARE AN
20 ABSOLUTE NECESSITY FOR OUR COMMUNITIES. WE ARE HERE REQUESTING
21 YOUR SUPPORT AND HOPE THAT YOU PUT MORE FUNDING ON THE BALLOT
22 OF THE ELECTION IN NOVEMBER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GRACIAS. OKAY. NEXT,
25 PLEASE. WE HAVE -- GO AHEAD.



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MARI MERCADO: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS AND CHAIR HILDA SOLIS. MY NAME IS MARI MERCADO, AND I LIVE IN THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. I AM A MOTHER, A TEACHER, AND A MEMBER OF S.C.O.P.E., AS WELL AS A LEADER AT THE LOS ANGELES LAND TRUST NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, HILDA SOLIS AND KUEHL, FOR THE COUNTY NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND ALL THE SUPERVISORS WHO SUPPORTED IT. OUR COMMUNITIES ARE IN DIRE NEED OF PARKS. WITHOUT PARKS, WITH QUALITY STAFF AND QUALITY ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS, SINGLE MOTHERS LIKE MYSELF WHO HAVE TWO BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTERS WHO LOVE TO DANCE ARE FORCED TO GO OUTSIDE OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND TO PAY PRIVATE COSTLY DANCE STUDIOS SO THEY CAN FULFILL THEIR DREAM OF DANCING. PARKS ARE A MUST IN OUR COMMUNITIES, WHICH HAVE HIGH RATES OF OBESITY AND DIABETES. I AM HERE TODAY ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT. MY BEAUTIFUL DANCERS AND I URGE YOU TO PLEASE PLACE THE PARKS FUNDING INITIATIVE ON THE 2016 NOVEMBER INITIATIVE AND SUPPORT THE FUNDING CATEGORY THAT WILL ADDRESS THE HIGH AND VERY-HIGH NEEDS AREAS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

21

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. GEORGINA SERRANO, BRIAN BALDAUF, YELENA ZELTSER, AMY WONG, MARK MASAOKA, ADRIANA PINEDO, MARIA CAMACHO.

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1 **AMY WONG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS AMY WONG AND I AM THE
2 COALITION COORDINATOR FOR SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS FOREVER. I'M
3 ALSO AN EL MONTE RESIDENT, AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE PARKS
4 MEASURE TONIGHT, PARTICULARLY FOR OUR HIGH-NEED COMMUNITIES. I
5 COME FROM EL MONTE, WHICH IS A PARK-POOR WORKING-CLASS
6 COMMUNITY OF COLOR, AND IT'S NO COINCIDENCE THAT EL MONTE IS
7 PARK POOR AND ALSO SUFFERS FROM HIGH RATES OF OBESITY AND
8 RELATED DISEASES. WE NEED MORE PARKS, PARKS THAT ARE SAFE,
9 ACCESSIBLE, COMMUNITY-DRIVEN TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN
10 OUR COMMUNITIES. PARKS ARE UNIFYING, UNIVERSALLY VALUABLE
11 PLACES WHERE EVERYBODY, NO MATTER THE AGE OR THE ABILITY, CAN
12 RELAX AND ENJOY OM SPACE. FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE MORNINGS AT
13 ARCEO PARK, YOU CAN SEE PEOPLE DOING ZUMBA, ELDERLY PEOPLE
14 DOING TAI CHI, PEOPLE WALKING THEIR DOGS, CHILDREN PLAYING IN
15 THE PLAYGROUNDS. SO, I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE PARKS MEASURE
16 TO CONTINUE INVESTING IN OUR PARKS AND IMPROVE THE HEALTH FOR
17 FUTURE GENERATIONS AND TO CREATE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDS FOR
18 FUTURE GENERATIONS. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

21

22 **MARK MASAOKA:** HI. I'M MARK MASAOKA, WITH THE ASIAN-PACIFIC
23 POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL, AND WE THANK THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR
24 YOUR EFFORTS HERE. ON A PERSONAL NOTE, MANY YEARS AGO, MY
25 DAUGHTER WAS IN A BROWNIE TROOP THAT MET IN A PUBLIC PARK AND



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1 MY SON WAS IN A PARKS AND REC SOCCER LEAGUE. SINCE THEN, I
2 KNOW MANY OF THESE PROGRAMS, SPORTS PROGRAMS, HAVE BEEN CUT
3 BACK. AND SO, THIS MEASURE WILL BE ABLE TO RESTORE AND EXPAND
4 THESE NEEDED PROGRAMS. IN KOREATOWN IN PARTICULAR, IT'S A
5 STRONG NEED. IT'S DESIRED THAT YOU HAVE THREE ACRES OF PARK
6 SPACE PER 1,000 RESIDENTS. KOREATOWN ONLY HAS .07 ACRES PER
7 1,000 RESIDENTS. AND WE HOPE THAT THIS MEASURE WILL BE ABLE TO
8 PROVIDE RESOURCES TO ADDRESS THOSE DISPARITIES. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

11

12 **ADRIANA PINEDO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
13 THE BOARD. MY NAME IS ADRIANA PINEDO. I'M A PRODUCTION
14 DIRECTOR OVER IN POMONA WITH DAY ONE, AND I WAS ALSO PART OF
15 THE GROUP THAT DID THE ASSESSMENTS THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. AND
16 WHETHER WE WERE SPEAKING TO FOLKS IN POMONA, WHICH IS PARK-
17 RICH BUT STILL NEEDS IMPROVEMENTS AND LOTS OF INFRASTRUCTURE
18 UPKEEP, OR IN PLACES THAT ARE LANDLOCKED AND VERY PARK-POOR,
19 BOTH COMMUNITIES ARE SAYING THE SAME THING. AND THE TOP TWO
20 ISSUES THAT KEPT COMING UP WERE HEALTH AND SAFETY. AND HEALTH
21 AND SAFETY CAN BOTH BE AIDED GREATLY IF WE PUT THIS MEASURE ON
22 OUR BALLOT FOR NOVEMBER. WHOEVER CONTROLS THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S
23 PUBLIC SPACES CONTROLS THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THAT
24 NEIGHBORHOOD. THE CONTROL MUST REST WITH THE RESIDENTS. THE
25 GREATEST DETERRENT OF CRIME IN A COMMUNITY IS NOT ONE



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1 OVERSATURATED WITH COPS. IT IS A NEIGHBORHOOD ALIVE WITH
2 RESIDENTS. AND THE CONCEPT IS THAT A HEALTHY COMMUNITY WILL
3 THEN IN FACT BE A SAFE COMMUNITY. I TOOK THOSE WORDS FROM
4 RONALD DAVIS, AND I KNOW THE D.O.J. HAS BEEN DOING A LOT OF
5 WORK AROUND THIS AND WE ARE DOING ALL OF THAT, AS WELL, AND
6 REFOCUSING OUR COMMITMENTS, NOT JUST IN POMONA BUT ALL OVER
7 THE COUNTY. SO THAT OUR FAMILIES FEEL SAFE OUTSIDE AND OUR
8 GREEN SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. AND I URGE YOU TO PUT THIS ON THE
9 BALLOT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **MARIA CAMACHO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA CAMACHO. I'M
14 HERE REPRESENTING RIVER L.A. I'M HERE TODAY TO APPLAUD THE
15 BOARD IN ITS EFFORTS TO PLACE THE PARK MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER
16 BALLOT. PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, AND OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES
17 PROVIDE CRITICAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGING IN PHYSICAL
18 ACTIVITY, GATHERING WITH NEIGHBORS, AND RELIEVING STRESS, AS
19 DOES THE L.A. RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES THROUGH THEIR
20 CONNECTIVITY AS LINEAR SPACES. POLLING DEMONSTRATED THAT
21 VOTERS SUPPORT THE PRIORITIES OF THE PARKS NEEDS ASSESSMENT,
22 REPAIRS, UPGRADES AND IMPROVEMENTS TO PARKS AND RECREATIONAL
23 CENTERS ALONG WITH THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF BEACHES,
24 OUR AMAZING URBAN RIVERS THAT TIE THE COUNTY TOGETHER, OPEN



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1 SPACES AND WILDLIFE, ALL OF WHICH ARE NEEDED AND DESERVED FOR
2 THE FUTURE GENERATIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP DAN
5 RODRIGUEZ, SARA ASTBAHA, CINDY MONTANEZ, EXCEL PALACIO, MIKE
6 RUSSO, IRLANDA GONZALEZ. GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

7

8 **SARA ASTBAHA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THANK
9 YOU FOR ALL OF THE HARD WORK YOU GUYS HAVE PUT INTO THE NEEDS
10 ASSESSMENT. AND I'D LIKE TO BEGIN. MY NAME IS SARA ASTBAHA.
11 I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNSEL
12 AND OUR THOUSANDS OF MEMBERS AND ACTIVISTS THAT LIVE HERE IN
13 LOS ANGELES TO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS MEASURE AND PUT IT ON
14 THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. N.R.D.C. IS A NATIONAL NONPROFIT
15 ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION, AND WE'RE COMMITTED TO PRESERVING
16 OPEN SPACE AND PARK ACCESS FOR PEOPLE OF ALL RACES,
17 BACKGROUNDS AND INCOME LEVELS. WE'VE BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED
18 HERE IN LOS ANGELES FOR OVER 25 YEARS. AS WE HAVE HEARD TODAY,
19 IN TOO MANY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, PARKS AND OPEN SPACES ARE
20 BECOMING HARD TO FIND. AND THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT SHOWS THAT
21 OVER HALF OF OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS LIVE IN HIGH-NEED OR VERY-
22 HIGH- NEED AREAS FOR PARK SPACE. THIS MEANS THAT TOO MANY OF
23 OUR RESIDENTS DON'T GET TO SHARE IN ALL OF THE BENEFITS WE'VE
24 HEARD ABOUT TODAY, SUCH AS INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES FOR
25 EXERCISE, RECREATION, IMPROVED COMMUNITY HEALTH, AND OVERALL



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1 WELL-BEING. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS MEASURE PROVIDES AN
2 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES, WHICH I URGE YOU TO
3 SUPPORT IT.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

6

7 **DAN RODRIGUEZ:** HONORABLE SUPERVISOR AND CHAIR AND THE
8 SUPERVISORS, BIZFED, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S BIZFED
9 GRASSROOTS ALLIANCE OF MORE THAN 155 BUSINESS GROUPS
10 REPRESENTING 275,000 EMPLOYERS. ON JUNE 9TH, OUR ADVOCACY
11 COMMITTEE VOTED TO OPPOSE THE COUNTY MEASURE IN ITS CURRENT
12 FORM. THE PROPOSED PARKS FUNDING MEASURE WOULD CREATE A NEW
13 SQUARE-FOOT TAX, WHICH WOULD DRAMATICALLY INCREASE THE CURRENT
14 PARCEL TAX AND, THUS, THE COST OF DOING BUSINESS IN L.A.
15 COUNTY. A SQUARE-FOOT TAX IS A SPLIT-ROLL TAX. NOT ONLY IS A
16 SPLIT-ROLL TYPE PARCEL TAX NOT APPROPRIATE TO FUND TAXES, THE
17 NEEDED ANALYSIS OF ITS NEXUS TO THE COMMERCIAL BUSINESS SECTOR
18 AND IMPACTS HAVE NOT BEEN PROPERLY DONE. THE CUMULATIVE EFFECT
19 OF MULTIPLE TAXES AND FEES HINDERING ECONOMIC GROWTH AND JOB
20 CREATION AND NOVEMBER'S ALREADY MULTIPLE TAX INCREASES,
21 THEREFORE THE COUNTY MUST EVALUATE. WE STRONGLY OPPOSE AS IT
22 CURRENTLY STANDS. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

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1 **MIKE RUSSO:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
2 MIKE RUSSO WITH THE ADVANCEMENT PROJECT. WE'RE A CIVIL RIGHTS
3 ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS FOR GREATER EQUITY IN THE COMMUNITIES
4 MOST IMPACTED BY RACIAL AND ECONOMIC INJUSTICE. AND JUST
5 WANTED TO SAY WHEN WE TALKED TO COMMUNITIES ABOUT WHAT THEIR
6 ASSETS ARE AND WHAT THEIR NEEDS ARE, PARKS ARE ALWAYS LIFTED
7 UP AS A REALLY KEY PART OF THE PUZZLE BECAUSE OF THE ROLE THAT
8 THEY CAN PLAY IN PROMOTING HEALTH AND FAMILY WELL-BEING. AND
9 THEY ARE ESPECIALLY VALUABLE FOR FAMILIES THAT NEED A PLACE
10 FOR THEIR KIDS BUT DON'T HAVE LARGE YARDS OR ACCESS TO PRIVATE
11 GYMS OR RECREATION FACILITIES. WE KNOW THAT L.A. HAS OFTEN
12 STRUGGLED TO PROVIDE HIGH-QUALITY PARKS AND OPEN SPACES FOR
13 ALL OF ITS RESIDENTS, AND IN MULTIPLE AREAS, THERE ARE MORE
14 OPTIONS AVAILABLE, BUT IN LOW-INCOME AREAS, THEY DON'T HAVE
15 THOSE OPTIONS. THEY DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO PAY, WHICH MEANS
16 THAT INADEQUATE PARK FUNDING CAN SERVE TO EXACERBATE THE
17 EXISTING INEQUITIES THAT FACE LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES OF COLOR.
18 SO, WE SUPPORT YOU PUTTING THIS MEASURE ON THE BALLOT. WE
19 THINK ADEQUATE PARK FUNDING IS REALLY IMPORTANT, AND WE THINK
20 IT'S REALLY CRITICAL TO PRIORITIZE SOME OF THE HIGHEST NEEDS
21 AREAS THAT ARE OUT THERE. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. CINDY MENDEZ, ASICO
24 PALACIOS, IRLINDA GONZALEZ, JANETTE ROYSTON, LISA PAYNE,
25 DEBBIE ENOS, MARGARET AICHELE, STEVEN CARRANZA, MARISSA



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1 CHRISTIANSEN. OKAY. JUST HAVE A SEAT, AND LET'S GO. IT'S
2 GETTING LATE. PEOPLE ARE LEAVING.

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4 **LISA PAYNE:** I'M LISA PAYNE. I'M WITH THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
5 ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT HOUSING, OR S.C.A.N.P.H. S.C.A.N.P.H.
6 MEMBERS BUILD PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOMES FOR PEOPLE AND
7 FAMILIES FACING HOMELESSNESS AND IN NEED OF INTENSIVE
8 SERVICES, AS WELL AS APARTMENTS FOR FAMILIES AT RISK OF
9 FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS AND THOSE PRICED OUT OF THE HOUSING
10 MARKET. THE HOUSING AND HOMELESS ADVOCACY COMMUNITY AND THE
11 PARKS COMMUNITY MAINLY WORK IN SILOS. WE IN THE HOUSING
12 COMMUNITY ARE VERY FOCUSED ON WHAT A CRITICAL NEED THERE IS
13 FOR HOMES BOTH FOR THE VISIBLE HOMELESS AND FOR THOSE WHO ARE
14 COUCH SURFING. WE ALL KNOW, THOUGH, THAT BOTH PARKS AND HOMES
15 ARE INTEGRAL AND INTEGRATED PARTS OF OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S
16 CRITICAL THAT OUR CHILDREN HAVE A SAFE PLACE TO PLAY AND
17 EXERCISE FOR THEIR MENTAL, PHYSICAL, AND EMOTIONAL
18 DEVELOPMENT. SO, WE SUPPORT FIGURING OUT A WAY TO FUND BOTH,
19 AS WELL AS A TRANSPORTATION MEASURE. WE HOPE WE CAN WORK WITH
20 ALL SUPERVISOR OFFICES, OTHER HOUSING ADVOCATES, AS WELL AS
21 THE PARKS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMUNITIES TO FIGURE OUT A WAY
22 FORWARD THAT PROVIDES FUNDING FOR THE BASIC NEEDS OF OUR
23 RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?



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2 **STEPHEN MEJIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS STEVEN
3 MEJIA WITH FRIENDS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER. I JUST WANT TO
4 THANK SHEILA KUEHL AND HILDA SOLIS FOR THEIR SUPPORT ON THIS
5 MEASURE. FRIENDS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER AND THE 30,000
6 SUPPORTERS WE HAVE URGE YOU TO MOVE THIS MEASURE ONTO THE
7 NOVEMBER BALLOT. PARKS, AS WE'VE HEARD TIME AND TIME AGAIN
8 TODAY, ARE INCREDIBLY NECESSARY. YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT THE NEED
9 AND AND THE DESIRE AND A FEW DIFFERENT METRICS. I JUST WANT TO
10 STRESS HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO THINK ABOUT THIS AS A
11 COMPLEMENTARY EFFORT TO THE HOMELESSNESS AND TRANSPORTATION
12 MEASURES THAT ARE MOVING FORWARD. I THINK TOO LONG, AS WAS
13 REFERENCED BEFORE, WE THOUGHT ABOUT THESE THINGS IN SILOS, AND
14 ULTIMATELY THIS IS ABOUT ADDRESSING COMMUNITY HEALTH. OUR
15 FOCUS ON THE RIVER IS ABOUT BRINGING BENEFITS, TANGIBLE
16 BENEFITS OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HASN'T BEEN ACCESSIBLE OUT
17 TO COMMUNITIES. PARKS ARE THAT DOORSTEP IN FRONT OF NEIGHBORS
18 AND RESIDENTS TO NATURE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. SO, I URGE YOU
19 TO THINK ABOUT THIS AS A COMPREHENSIVE, HOLISTIC EFFORT,
20 COLLABORATIVE, AND, AGAIN, WE'RE EAGER TO WORK FORWARD WITH
21 YOU TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS GETS PUT IN FRONT OF THE COMMUNITY,
22 AS WELL.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. TRIS CARPENTER, CHRIATINA
2 GONZALES, ANGELITA USHER PARKER, ERIKA CORNEJO, ELIZABETH
3 HAWLEY, SARAH WALSH.

4

5 **TRIS CARPENTER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS TRIS CARPENTER, AND
6 I'M A REPRESENTATIVE WITH THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE,
7 COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, DISTRICT COUNCIL 36. WE'RE
8 HERE TO SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. AS A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
9 REPRESENTATIVE FOR HUNDREDS OF PARKS EMPLOYEES IN L.A. CITY
10 AND THE SURROUNDING MUNICIPALITIES, A.F.S.C.M.E. SUPPORTS THIS
11 MEASURE, BECAUSE IT HELPS PROVIDE AND SUPPORT GOOD JOBS IN OUR
12 COMMUNITIES. MORE IMPORTANTLY, HOWEVER, WE SUPPORT THIS ON A
13 GREATER COMMUNITY LEVEL. PARKS, BEACHES, AND OPEN SPACES
14 BELONG TO US ALL AND THEY BENEFIT US ALL. THEY'RE ENJOYED BY
15 RICH AND POOR ALIKE. AND IF YOU'VE BEEN TO ANY WORLD-CLASS
16 CITY OTHER THAN LOS ANGELES, YOU KNOW THAT THEY ARE THE CROWN
17 JEWELS OF THOSE CITIES. WE APPLAUD THE HARD WORK THAT WENT
18 INTO THIS MEASURE AND SUPPORT THIS GOING TO THE VOTERS IN
19 NOVEMBER. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

22

23 **ELIZABETH HAWLEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ELIZABETH HAWLEY AT THE
24 VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSOCIATION, OR V.I.C.A., WHICH
25 REPRESENTS OVER 400 LOCAL BUSINESSES AND NONPROFITS. A PER-



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1 SQUARE-FOOT PARCEL TAX WOULD PLACE MOST OF THE BURDEN ON
2 BUSINESSES WHICH HAVE HIGHER SQUARE-FOOTAGE-AREAS THAN HOMES.
3 THERE ARE MANY COMPETING PRIORITIES ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR
4 FUNDING, INCLUDING, AS WE'VE HEARD, HOMELESSNESS AND
5 TRANSPORTATION. MANY OF THESE IMPORTANT ISSUES WILL BE ON THE
6 BALLOT IN NOVEMBER AT THE CITY, COUNTY, AND STATE LEVEL. STAFF
7 HAS CONDUCTED POLLING ON THE EFFECT OF THESE OTHER MEASURES ON
8 VOTER RESPONSE, BUT WE WOULD ALSO URGE YOU TO CONSIDER THE
9 CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THESE MEASURES AND HOW THIS ADDS UP TO
10 AN INCREASING BURDEN ON LOCAL BUSINESSES. THE SIZE OF A
11 BUILDING DOES NOT NECESSARILY CORRELATE WITH THE REVENUE THAT
12 THEY MAKE OR THE ABILITY TO PAY EXTRA TAX, EITHER FOR
13 BUSINESSES OR FOR HOMEOWNERS. A 3-CENT-PER-SQUARE-FOOT PARCEL
14 TAX EQUATES TO A MORE THAN A DOUBLING OF PARKS FUNDING AT A
15 TIME WHEN THERE ARE OTHER CRITICAL ISSUES WHICH MUST BE PAID
16 FOR. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **CHRISTINA GONZALES:** HI. MY NAME IS CHRISTINA GONZALEZ AND I AM
21 FROM HACIENDA HEIGHTS AND I AM ONE OF THE LEADERS FROM THE LOS
22 ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. SO, I JUST WANTED TO SAY
23 THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING AND LEADING THIS WHOLE THING RIGHT
24 NOW WITH THE PARK, COUNTY NEED ASSESSMENT, AND EVERYTHING
25 ABOVE. I JUST WANTED TO FURTHER ADVOCATE JUST THE HIGHER PARK



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1 SPACE WILL PROVIDE GREAT HEALTH BENEFITS FOR THE COMMUNITY,
2 LOWERING OBESITY. BRINGING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER ALSO BRINGS
3 SAFETY, TRUSTING ONE ANOTHER AND SUCH, AS NEIGHBORS SHOULD.
4 ALSO, WITH THE ADDITION TO PARK SPACE, YOU'LL GET LIKE CARBON
5 SEQUESTRATION, LOWERING EMISSIONS, GREENHOUSE GASES, P.A.H.S
6 AND ALL THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND SUCH. ALSO, JUST SIDE
7 NOTE, THAT PERSONAL, I'VE SEEN PARKS IN MY AREA -- AGAIN, I
8 LIVE IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS -- THAT ARE BUILT NEXT TO FREEWAYS.
9 REALLY BAD FOR THE LUNGS AND SUCH. JUST SOMETHING TO CONSIDER
10 FOR THE FUTURE OF ANY FURTHER BUILDING OF PARKS AND SUCH.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

13

14 **SARA WALSH:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SARA WALSH, AND I'M
15 HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE MOTION PICTURE ASSOCIATION OF
16 AMERICA AND OUR MEMBER COMPANIES. THE TAX LEVY OF 1.5 CENTS
17 PER SQUARE FOOT OF STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS REPRESENTS A NEARLY
18 FIVEFOLD INCREASE OVER WHAT M.P.A.A. MEMBER COMPANIES PAID
19 UNDER THE PREVIOUS PARKS DISTRICTS ASSESSMENTS. AS THE MEMBERS
20 OF THE BOARD KNOW, THE DECISION ON WHERE TO LOCATE THE
21 PRODUCTION OF A MOTION PICTURE OR TELEVISION SERIES AND
22 ACCOMPANYING JOBS IS VERY SENSITIVE TO COSTS. ANY INCREASE TO
23 COSTS, SUCH AS THIS PROPOSAL AND OTHERS UNDER CONSIDERATION,
24 MAY IMPACT LOCATION DECISIONS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANGELITA USHER PARKER, ERIKA
2 CORNEJO, JOHN HOWLAND, KATHLEEN TRINITY, DONALD KRONOS, KIM
3 MCGILL, ERIC PREVEN. GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

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5 **KATHLEEN TRINITY:** GOOD EVENING. I'M KATHLEEN TRINITY. WHILE I
6 SUPPORT PUBLIC PARKS AS IMPORTANT TO A SENSE OF WELL-BEING, I
7 THINK IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNTY REALIZE THAT MANY
8 HOMEOWNERS, ESPECIALLY RETIREES ON MODEST FIXED INCOMES, HAVE
9 MANDATORY EXPENSES LIKE EVERYONE ELSE. THESE INCLUDE MORTGAGE,
10 HOUSE INSURANCE, PROPERTY TAXES, CAL- FIRE FEE, BRUSH
11 CLEARANCE, ELECTRIC, PHONE, INTERNET, CAR INSURANCE, MEDICARE
12 INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND COPAYS, LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE,
13 PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS. THANK YOU FOR REDUCING THE 3-TO- 5-
14 CENT FIGURE TO 1-1/2, BUT PLEASE CONSIDER HITTING THE BRAKES
15 ON FOLLOWING THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, WHICH WILL AMOUNT TO 3-
16 TO-5 CENTS BEFORE TOO LONG, AND THEN MANY SENIORS MIGHT BE IN
17 DANGER OF LOSING THEIR HOMES. THANK YOU.

18

19 **JOHN HOWLAND:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M JOHN HOWLAND WITH THE
20 CENTRAL CITY ASSOCIATION. C.C.A. SUPPORTS CONTINUED FUNDING
21 FOR PARKS, AND THAT'S WHY WE SUPPORTED MEASURE P IN 2014 TO
22 EXTEND THE COUNTY'S FLAT-RATE PARCEL TAX. BUT C.C.A. CANNOT
23 SUPPORT THIS NEW 1-1/2 CENTS-PER-IMPROVED-SQUARE- FOOT TAX.
24 THE OUTREACH THAT WAS CONDUCTED ON THIS PROPOSAL TO THE
25 BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND TO LARGE PROPERTY OWNERS, THE GROUPS



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1 WHO WILL PAY THE MAJOR SHARE OF THESE TAXES WAS POOR. THERE
2 WERE NO PRESENTATIONS TO BUSINESSES ABOUT THE FINANCING
3 MECHANISMS. INSTEAD, JUST TWO MEETINGS WERE PUT TOGETHER TO A
4 SMALL GROUP OF MAJOR BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS IN LATE MAY AND
5 JUNE TELLING US WHAT THE PROPOSED RATES WERE GOING TO BE. THE
6 CURRENT PROPOSAL IS AN IMPROVEMENT OVER THE EARLIER 3-TO-5
7 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT, BUT WE SIMPLY CANNOT SUPPORT THIS
8 FORMULA. A 1-1/2 CENT PER SQUARE FOOT TAX ON EVERY BUILDING IS
9 NOT JUST \$22. IT MEANS A MILLION-SQUARE-FOOT BUILDING WILL SEE
10 THE OWNER'S PARCEL TAX WILL GO TO \$15,000. AND THESE ARE
11 SIGNIFICANT INCREASED COSTS THAT WILL BE PASSED DOWN TO
12 TENANTS, CUSTOMERS, EMPLOYEES. WE BELIEVE HOMELESSNESS IS THE
13 NUMBER-ONE PRIORITY ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **JOHN HOWLAND:** HOWEVER, IF THE BOARD VOTES TO PURSUE A TAX --

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19 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE IN 60
20 SECONDS, BUT I WILL, OF COURSE, DO MY BEST. SO MANY THINGS
21 HAVE COME UP TODAY. ONE THAT IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT IS THAT
22 LARGE NOT-FOR-PROFITS LIKE HARVARD-WESTLAKE, A PUBLIC CHARITY,
23 MR. HAFETZ, IF THIS IS A DIRECT ASSESSMENT, WOULD THEY BE
24 REQUIRED TO CONTRIBUTE, OR ARE THEY EXEMPT LIKE FROM OTHER
25 TAXES WHERE THEY DON'T PAY ANYTHING? THAT IS THE QUESTION THAT



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1 THE PUBLIC IS HIGHLY INTERESTED IN. ALSO, I HAVE TO SAY I
2 LISTENED CAREFULLY ABOUT THE 144 COMMUNITY MEETINGS. AND,
3 THANK YOU, BECAUSE IT IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO OUTREACH. BUT
4 144 MEETINGS THAT RESULTED IN SEVERAL THOUSAND, THAT'S
5 APPROXIMATELY 20 OR SO A MEETING IF WE'RE BEING FAIR. THAT IS
6 HARDLY WHAT I WOULD DESCRIBE AS A ROBUST AND IMPORTANT
7 REACHOUT. AND SINCE IT'S A BUNCH OF PEOPLE WHO, IN FACT, TODAY
8 MAY BE NICE PEOPLE, BUT SINCE THEY HAVE ALL LEFT, I DON'T MIND
9 SAYING, YOU COVERED THEIR PARKING, THEY KNOW THEY'RE IN LINE.
10 50 PERCENT OF THIS MONEY IS GOING TO THE AFFILIATED CITIES. IS
11 THAT REALLY THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST AT THIS TIME, BECAUSE, YOU
12 KNOW, WE ALL VALUE PARKS ENORMOUSLY, BUT PARKS AND REC HAS NOT
13 DONE A GREAT JOB AT ENGENDERING TRUST AMONG THE PUBLIC, AND TO
14 BE PUSHING ALL THIS MONEY INTO THEIR DOMAIN, WHERE MANY, MANY
15 TIMES THE PARKS AND REC OPEN SPACE DISTRICT MONEY HAS BEEN
16 LEFT OVER AND POURED INTO OTHER THINGS. WELL DONE.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **KIM MCGILL:** GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS KIM MCGILL, AS YOU
21 PROBABLY KNOW, FROM THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. AND WE'RE IN
22 FULL SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO PUT IT ON THE
23 FALL BALLOT. FOR US, PARKS ARE AN INCREDIBLY URGENT ISSUE, NOT
24 JUST FOR ALL THE REASONS MENTIONED BUT FOR THE PUBLIC-SAFETY
25 ISSUES FOR THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE THAT ARE MOST VULNERABLE TO REAL



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1 DEATH AND HOMICIDE. AS YOU KNOW, 59 OF OUR MEMBERS HAVE DIED
2 IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS. WE'VE STRUGGLED TO BURY THEM AND TO
3 SUPPORT THEIR FAMILIES IN THE AFTERMATH OF THEIR DEATHS. I
4 BELIEVE THAT MANY OF THEIR DEATHS COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED
5 WITH GREEN SPACES, WITH YOUTH CENTERS, AND WITH YOUTH JOBS,
6 ALL OF WHICH PARKS DEPARTMENTS FACILITIES HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
7 TO PROVIDE. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO MOVE THIS FORWARD, BUT WE ALSO
8 ENCOURAGE SOME CHANGES: ONE, THAT YOU ENCOURAGE JOINT-USE
9 AGREEMENTS BETWEEN PARKS FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY-BASED
10 ORGANIZATIONS SO THAT THEY ARE INFUSED WITH MORE POSITIVE
11 PROGRAMMING AND GREATER SAFETY THROUGH INTERVENTION WORKERS;
12 SECOND, THAT PARKS ALSO BE LOOKED AT AS POSSIBLE VENTURES FOR
13 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO CO-SUPPORT, CO-MANAGE,
14 BECAUSE THE PARKS DEPARTMENT ALONE CANNOT MANAGE THEM IN AN
15 EFFECTIVE MANNER; AND THEN POSSIBLY MOST IMPORTANTLY, THAT WE
16 LOOK TO CREATE PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS IN AREAS THAT ARE LEAST
17 SERVED. FOR MYSELF, I LIVE IN WATTS, AND WE HAVE TO TRAVEL TO
18 OTHER CITIES IN ORDER TO GET GREEN SPACE. LAST NIGHT, FOR
19 FIREWORKS, PEOPLE ONCE AGAIN, AS EVERY DAY, PLAYED AND HAD
20 THEIR FIREWORKS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET. SO, I URGE YOUR
21 CONSIDERATION OF THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE MOST LEFT OUT. AND
22 JUST TO FOLLOW-UP ON SOMETHING DON KNABE SAID ABOUT FIVE HOURS
23 AGO, IF OTHER PLACES, OTHER COMMUNITIES GET TO GO TO STARBUCKS
24 AND PICK EVERYTHING THEY WANT WITH THIS MEASURE, FOR THOSE OF
25 US LIVING IN THE MOST UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES, WE'RE GOING TO



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1 THE CORNER STORE AND GETTING A 25-CENT KOOL-AID WITH OUR PARKS
2 MEASURES. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MARY HANNA, ARNOLD SACHS, PILAR
5 HOYOS, HERMAN HERMAN, AND SPINDLER.

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7 **MARY HANNA:** HI. I'M MARY HANNA. I'M HERE WITH PAT MCGUIRE.
8 WE'RE VOLUNTEERS REPRESENTING LAKE LOS ANGELES PARK
9 ASSOCIATION, AND IT'S DEDICATED TO BUILDING A PARK TO BRING
10 TOGETHER ALL PEOPLE. WE HAD OVER 700 PEOPLE PARTICIPATE IN THE
11 FIRST WEEK OF PARKS AFTER DARK. WE WANT TO THANK THE
12 SUPERVISORS AND ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR HIS
13 SUPPORT OF DEPUTY STEPHEN SORENSEN PARK. THE LAKE L.A. PARK
14 ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS THE EXCELLENT WORK OF L.A. COUNTY PARKS
15 AND RECREATIONS NEEDS ASSESSMENT, WHICH IS THIS PARK MEASURE.
16 LAKE L.A. IS REPRESENTED IN SECTIONS 35 AND 17 AND HAS NO
17 RECREATIONAL FACILITIES WHATSOEVER. THE RESIDENTS OF THE
18 REMOTE UNINCORPORATED NORTHEASTERN SECTION ARE DEPENDENT UPON
19 L.A. COUNTY FOR OUR RECREATION NEEDS. WE ARE HERE FROM THE
20 LAKE LOS ANGELES PARK ASSOCIATION TO SUPPORT THE NEEDS
21 ASSESSMENT AND TO SEE THAT LAKE L.A. COULD POSSIBLY GET
22 INFRASTRUCTURE SUCH AS A SKATE PARK, EQUESTRIAN CENTER, INDOOR
23 POOL, AQUATICS CENTER, THINGS THAT WE DO NOT HAVE ANYTHING OF
24 WHATSOEVER. MY PERSONAL REQUEST IS THAT ALL EXERCISE AREAS
25 INCLUDE HANDICAPPED-ACCESS EQUIPMENT FOR WOUNDED WARRIORS AND



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1 DEMANDING HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS WHO LIVE IN OUR AREAS. THANK
2 YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MA'AM?

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6 **PILAR HOYOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. PILAR WITH WATSON LAND COMPANY
7 AND ALSO SPEAKING FOR THE CARSON EMPLOYERS ALLIANCE IN THE
8 SECOND DISTRICT. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS CONCERN AND OPPOSITION TO
9 THE TAX AS PROPOSED. WE NEED TAX POLICIES THAT FOSTER JOB
10 CREATION AND A STRONG ECONOMY, NOT DISCRIMINATORY TAXES THAT
11 PLACE A DISPROPORTIONATE BURDEN ON THE JOB CREATORS. WE NEED
12 JOBS. DOES ANYBODY DISAGREE WE NEED JOBS? I THINK THIS IS
13 SOMETHING THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN POLLED TO FIND OUT WHERE JOBS
14 WOULD FLY IN THAT QUESTION. WE BELIEVE THAT QUALITY OF LIFE
15 BEGINS WITH A JOB. THE CITY OF CARSON IS A GOOD EXAMPLE, AND I
16 BELIEVE THE SUPERVISORS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE MAYOR
17 EXPRESSING CONCERN ABOUT THE DISPARITY AND UNFAIRNESS OF THIS
18 TAX. THE CITY HAS 14 FULLY STAFFED PARKS, MANY WITH AQUATIC
19 CENTERS. WHY? BECAUSE THEY INVITED BUSINESS. THEY WELCOMED
20 JOBS, AND THE REVENUE GENERATED ALLOWED THEM TO PROVIDE THE
21 SERVICES THAT MANY HAVE ASKED FOR TODAY. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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1 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** SO, I SEE WE GAVE 100 VEHICLES FREE PARKING
2 TODAY FOR PARK ASSESSMENT NEEDS. WELL, THAT VIOLATES THE BROWN
3 ACT. IT'S CALLED POLITICKING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY. SOLIS,
4 NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY. SO, AS YOU SEE, RIGHT NOW, ALL
5 THESE LOVELY PEOPLE, THEY JUST HAPPENED TO BE HERE, AND WHILE
6 THEY'RE GETTING THEIR FREE PARKING FOR \$20, THEY JUST HAPPENED
7 TO BE HERE TO SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. THAT'S CALLED POLITICKING
8 ON PRIVATE PROPERTY USING TAXPAYER FUNDS. IT'S A VIOLATION OF
9 STATE AND FEDERAL LAW. SO, YOU KNOW, FOR THOSE OF US THAT
10 STILL CARE ABOUT THE LAW, WHICH ARE FEW. AND, FINALLY, TOO
11 MANY TAXES ON THE BALLOT. SO, DO WHAT SMART PEOPLE DO WHEN
12 THEY READ FINE PRINT AND DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS. THEY JUST
13 SIMPLY VOTE NO ON EVERYTHING. NO ON EVERYTHING.

14

15 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO, MISS SOLIS, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US OUR
16 SIGNS, BECAUSE THEY ACTUALLY BRING A LOT OF COLOR INTO THIS
17 BUILDING. BUT THE WHOLE ISSUE HERE REVOLVES AROUND THE TAX OF
18 1 CENT IN WHICH I, AT ONE POINT, ASKED THE CITY OF DOWNEY THAT
19 THERE SHOULD BE NO HALF CENT, BECAUSE AS I PUT UP MY HANDS IN
20 THAT MEETING, I SAID, NO WAY JOSE, ZERO HALF CENT UNTIL YOU
21 CAN FINISH AND ACCOMPLISH ALL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR PROGRAMMATIC
22 ACCESS FOR THE DISABLED AND THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE ELDERLY,
23 THEN I CAN AGREE ON A PROPERTY TAX. MY MOTHER OWNS PROPERTY.
24 SO, I KNOW WHAT THE HELL I'M TALKING ABOUT. SO, WHEN IT COMES
25 TO VOTE YES ON PARKS, I'M NOT AGAINST PARKS. IT'S JUST THAT



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1 WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT IN ORDER TO MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN,
2 YOU HAVE TO PUT YOUR TRUST IN ANOTHER VENUE. I DON'T TRUST
3 HILLARY, NOR DO I TRUST YOU, MS. SOLIS. THANK YOU FOR ITEM
4 NUMBER 40 DOWN THERE. [APPLAUSE AND BOOS.]

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. VERY
7 QUICKLY, A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, WHAT THIS
8 MEETING SHOWS IS THAT AFTER 22 YEARS OF HAVING TWO PARK
9 ASSESSMENTS ON PARCELS, YOU STILL HAVE A \$21-BILLION NEED
10 ASSESSMENT THAT YOU'VE COME UP WITH. SO, WHAT YOU'RE FINDING
11 OUT, REALLY, IS IF YOU'RE PARK-POOR WHERE YOU LIVE, YOU BETTER
12 HAVE SOME OVERSIGHT IN WHO YOU PUT INTO OFFICE, BECAUSE
13 THEY'VE HAD ASSESSMENTS FOR 22 YEARS: 1992 AND 1996. THEN ALSO
14 YOU LOOK AT THE LANGUAGE YOU HAVE OF COUNTIES PARK AND
15 RECREATION DEPARTMENT, BUT THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE
16 DISTRICT IS GOING TO HAVE OVERSIGHT OVER THIS INCOME FROM THIS
17 ASSESSMENT, TWO DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS. DON'T CONFUSE
18 ACTIVITY FOR ACHIEVEMENT. DON'T CONFUSE ACCESS TO PARKS AS
19 ACCESS TO OPEN SPACES. THEY'RE TWO DIFFERENT AREAS. IT'S
20 REALLY IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE HERE --

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO GO NOW TO LANCASTER.
23 I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM -- [GAVEL.] I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM JASON
24 ZINK, MICHAEL JENKINS, AND DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS FROM
25 LANCASTER.



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2 **JASON ZINK:** GOOD EVENING. MY MAIN THING ABOUT THE PARK
3 ASSESSMENT IS ANTELOPE VALLEY ON THE '92 AND '96 MEASURE WAS
4 UNFAIRLY DONE. WE RAISED \$150 MILLION FOR THE PARK ASSESSMENT
5 DISTRICT, BUT ANTELOPE VALLEY ONLY RECEIVED \$33 MILLION.
6 THAT'S NOT RIGHT. THAT'S NOT FAIR. ALSO, IF THERE'S 5 PEOPLE
7 THAT LIVE IN A HOUSE, 1,000 SQUARE FOOT, BUT 5 PEOPLE LIVE IN
8 A 4,000 SQUARE FOOT HOUSE, WHY SHOULD THEY HAVE TO PAY MORE
9 MONEY? IT'S NOT FAIR. MOST OF THE HOMES IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
10 ARE BIGGER. SO, WE'RE UNFAIRLY TREATED, BECAUSE WE WILL BE
11 PAYING MORE INTO THE ASSESSMENT. MY REQUEST IS, MIKE
12 ANTONOVICH, YOU FIGHT FOR THE PEOPLE OF ANTELOPE VALLEY AND
13 YOU PUT \$15 MILLION FOR OPEN SPACE IN THIS MEASURE DEDICATED
14 TO THE AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SANTA MONICA CONSERVANCY
15 RECEIVED \$62 MILLION, ANTELOPE VALLEY, ZERO. SO, MIKE
16 ANTONOVICH, FIGHT FOR THE PEOPLE OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. THANK
17 YOU.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MICHAEL JENKINS.

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21 **EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS:** I'M EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS. I
22 GIVE YOU YOUR RESPECT. YOU GIVE ME MINE, PLEASE. I WOULD LIKE
23 TO GIVE MY TIME TO DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS.

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1 **DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS:** HI. I'M DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS,
2 AND I WANT TO ECHO WHAT MR. ZINK JUST SAID. I THINK THAT THAT
3 IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION, EVEN THOUGH I DON'T THINK
4 YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE IT INTO ACCOUNT. I THINK A LOT OF THE
5 THINGS THAT WE TELL YOU ABOUT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY YOU IGNORE.
6 YOU ARE TREAT IT AS IF WE'RE FROM ANOTHER PLANET, FROM ANOTHER
7 COUNTRY. YOU DEPRIVE US OF THINGS THAT WE'RE ENTITLED TO
8 FINANCIALLY. AND MIKE DOES NOT FIGHT FOR US. MIKE'S LIFE IS
9 DOWN IN GLENDALE. MIKE'S LIFE IS DOWN THERE WITH THE PEOPLE
10 WHO HAVE MONEY, THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE POSITIONS, AND WHEN IT
11 COMES TO PARKS, THE REALITY IS IS THAT WE KNOW WE'RE NOT GOING
12 TO GET OUR FAIR SHARE. I HAVE TRAVELED THIS COUNTRY. I HAVE
13 BEEN IN ALMOST EVERY STATE IN THIS COUNTRY AS A CONSULTANT
14 EITHER FOR CORPORATE, FORTUNE 500, CORPORATE 1,000, OR JUST AS
15 A CONSULTANT. AND THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT PARKS ARE CRITICAL,
16 I AGREE WITH YOU. BUT AS THE GENTLEMAN ALSO SAID BEFORE ME, WE
17 HAVE TO WEIGH THINGS OUT. I THINK THAT YOU'RE BEING VERY
18 CARELESS WHEN YOU THINK ON ONE HAND, YOU ARE PUSHING
19 HOMELESSNESS AND ALL THE MONEY THAT'S NEEDED FOR THAT ON THE
20 BALLOT, AND THEN ON THE OTHER HAND, YOU'RE ALSO PUSHING PARKS.
21 NOW, I GREW UP WITH PARKS. I WAS BORN NEAR HARLEM, NEW YORK. I
22 PLAYED IN CENTRAL PARK. I GREW UP IN ENGLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY,
23 AND ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NEW JERSEY, WHICH IS A VERY WELL-OFF
24 AREA. WE HAD PARKS EVERYWHERE. BUT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU
25 GUYS ARE NOT THINKING ABOUT WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT THESE PARKS IS



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1 YOU ACT AS IF YOU'RE GOING TO PUT SOME LAND OUT THERE AND
2 THAT'S A PARK. WE HAD PROGRAMS LIKE C.E.T.A. WE HAD PEOPLE IN
3 THOSE PARKS CONDUCTING PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN. I COULD BE IN
4 THE PARK FROM 8 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING UNTIL 5 O'CLOCK AT
5 NIGHT, AND THERE WERE PROGRAMS FOR US THAT WE HAD SUPERVISION.
6 YOU BETTER FIGURE THAT IN. JUST DON'T THROW SOME LAND OUT
7 THERE, SAY YOU GOT SOME OPEN SPACE, SAY YOU GOT A PARK, AND
8 IT'S GOING TO ACCOMPLISH SOMETHING, BECAUSE IT'S NOT. THERE'S
9 MORE THAT'S NEEDED. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT, MEMBERS --

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MADAME CHAIR, I WILL RELEASE 40-D AND JUST
14 MOVE THE ITEM. I HAD ASKED FOR RECONSIDERATION, BUT I'LL JUST
15 -- OKAY? THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SAVE US SOME TIME. THANK YOU. OKAY.
18 EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WE MOVE TO -- NO, OKAY.

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20 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THERE ARE NO FURTHER SPEAKERS, SO WE
23 CAN MOVE TO CLOSE THE --

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1 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YES, AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE
2 APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THESE ITEMS AND TO
3 VOTE ON THE TWO AMENDMENTS AND THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT'S THE THIRD PIECE?

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7 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THERE WERE TWO AMENDMENTS, ONE BY
8 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, ONE BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND THE
9 MAIN SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO, LET'S GO AHEAD AND CALL THE
12 ROLL.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** THE PARKS IS THE FIRST ONE.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THEN SHEILA
17 KUEHL.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** HILDA READ HERS IN FIRST.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, BUT THE ORDER IS REVERSED.

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23 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SO, THE ORDER OF VOTING.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, OKAY, YES, RIGHT.



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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SO, THE FIRST AMENDMENT WAS BY
3 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS UNDER THE WE THEREFORE MOVE PART,
4 POINT NUMBER 2, BULLET NUMBER 3, THAT READS "AND THE BOARD
5 ADOPTED POLICIES." HIS AMENDMENT WAS SUBJECT TO THE BOARD-
6 ADOPTED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND ANNUAL WORK PLAN TO BE
7 APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** I SECOND THAT.

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11 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** OKAY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CALL.

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15 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

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19 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** AYE.

22

23 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.



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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

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6 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE MOTION CARRIES. THE SECOND
7 AMENDMENT IS ON PART NO. 3, THE PART THAT SAYS "TO BE LEVIED
8 FOR 35 YEARS COMMENCING IN FISCAL YEAR 2017/18 THROUGH FISCAL
9 YEAR 2051/52" IS TO BE STRICKEN. THAT'S THE AMENDMENT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR? I JUST ADDRESSED THAT. I WAS
12 PREPARED TO SUPPORT THE CENT-AND-A-HALF AT THE 35 YEARS. IF
13 THE 35 YEARS ARE WITHDRAWN, THEN I CANNOT SUPPORT THE MEASURE.
14 I JUST THINK, YOU KNOW, 35 YEARS, LOOK WHAT HAPPENED ON THE
15 '96 PIECE TODAY. OUT OF THAT, WE GOT THIS INCREDIBLE NEEDS
16 ASSESSMENT. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE HERE. I'M NOT GOING TO BE
17 HERE. NONE OF THIS BOARD WILL BE HERE TO LET THE NEXT BOARD 35
18 YEARS FROM NOW AT LEAST HAVE A SHOT AT IT TO SEE HOW THINGS
19 HAVE CHANGED. WITHOUT THAT, YOU HAVE NO ACCOUNTABILITY OR A
20 REFRESHED LOOK AT ALL. AND I WOULD JUST ASK FOR A NO VOTE ON
21 REMOVING THE 35 YEARS AND KEEP THE 35-YEAR REVIEW IN THERE.

22 [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CALL THE VOTE.

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1 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

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5 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** AYE.

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9 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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13 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

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17 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE MOTION CARRIES 3-1-0. ON THE
18 MAIN MOTION, WHICH WAS THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
19 SOLIS --

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. CAN I MOVE THAT, SECONDED BY
22 KUEHL.

23

24 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

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3 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** AYE.

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7 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** NO

10

11 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

14

15 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MOTION CARRIES 3-1. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEASURE PASSES. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK MY BOARD
20 COLLEAGUES, ALL OF YOU, AND SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR WORKING WITH
21 US THROUGH THIS 18-MONTH PROCESS. I'M NOT LOST ON THE FACT
22 THAT YOU WERE THERE AND A LOT OF YOUR FOLKS FROM YOUR DISTRICT
23 WERE HERE, ALONG WITH, I THINK, ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS. AND I
24 WANT TO ALSO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BEING THE
25 VOICE OF REASON TO TALK ABOUT WHY WE NEEDED TO DO THE NEEDS



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1 ASSESSMENT TO BEGIN WITH. WE HEARD THOSE VOICES LOUDLY AND
2 CLEAR TODAY. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR BEING
3 HERE AND BEING THAT MEASURE OF JUDGEMENT, BALANCING. WE WANT
4 TO THANK ALL THE BOARD AND OUR STAFFS, ESPECIALLY I WANT TO
5 THANK THERESA VALLEGAS AND OUR TEAM, TEAM SOLIS, TEAM KUEHL,
6 TEAM EVERYBODY, AND ESPECIALLY TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE
7 FOLKS THAT CAME HERE ON THEIR OWN OUT OF THEIR OWN FRUITION TO
8 BE HERE. MANY HAVE LEFT, BUT THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM
9 ALL OVER THE COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK THEM. THANK YOU.

10 [APPLAUSE.] [LAUGHTER.] THANK YOU. OKAY, MEMBERS, WE HAVE
11 FURTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, AND WE HAVE ITEM 40-A. SUPERVISOR
12 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. LAST,
15 THAT THOSE WHO ARE HERE REMAINING TO SPEAK HAVE THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO. BUT THIS ESSENTIALLY TRIES TO FOCUS OUR
17 ATTENTION ON THE MATTER OF HOMELESSNESS AS, IN MY VIEW, THE
18 DEFINING ISSUE OF OUR COUNTY AT THIS TIME. WE TALK ABOUT IT IN
19 TERMS OF CIVIL RIGHTS. WE SPEAK ABOUT IT IN TERMS OF HUMAN
20 RIGHTS. AND, IT SEEMS TO ME, THAT WE RESPECT THE FACT THAT WE
21 RAISE THIS QUESTION: SHOULD A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 HAVE A RIGHT TO SAFE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING, ACCESSIBLE MENTAL
23 HEALTH SERVICES AS WELL AS SUSTAINABLE LIVING? AND I WISH TO
24 ASSERT THAT THE ANSWER TO THAT IS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. YES.
25 IT'S ENSCONCED IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS,



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1 WHICH ALL OF US PERIODICALLY INVOKE. AND IN ADDITION TO THAT,
2 POLL AFTER POLL HAS SHOWN THAT HOMELESSNESS IS A TOP CONCERN
3 FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THEY HAVE PUSHED
4 US TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE, AND I THINK WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
5 TO DO PRECISELY THAT. THE POLLING THAT WAS DONE EARLY ON IN
6 THE YEAR IN FEBRUARY, LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THERE'S BEEN NO
7 LESS THAN 10 POLLS, ONE BEGINNING WITH PHILANTHROPY AND THE
8 MOST RECENT POLL JUST LAST WEEK DONE BY THE STEINBERG FIRM,
9 THE BINDER FIRM, F.M.3. ALL SEEM TO HAVE A COMMON THEME. AND
10 SO, IT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO DO WHAT WE CAN DO: TAKE
11 ACTION. AND I'M SIMPLY ASKING THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WITH ITEM
12 40-A, WHICH WOULD EFFECTIVELY CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO
13 THINK CAREFULLY ABOUT THIS PRIORITY PURSUANT TO THE PURSUIT OF
14 COUNTYWIDE HOMELESS FUNDING MEASURE FOR THE NOVEMBER '16
15 BALLOT. I'M AWARE THAT THERE ARE TWO AMENDING MOTIONS, ONE BY
16 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, ONE BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I'M PREPARED
17 TO INTERPRET BOTH OF THEM AS FRIENDLY AMENDMENTS, AND THE
18 STAFF CAN GET TO WORK AND DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO GET THE
19 ITEM BACK TO US FOR OUR CONSIDERATION AND DISPOSITION, AS THE
20 MOTION INSTRUCTS. I WON'T BELABOR THE POINT, MADAME CHAIR. I
21 WOULD SIMPLY ASK THAT THOSE WHO ARE HERE TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM
22 BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO AS IT IS BEFORE US.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SIMPLY TO ADD TO THE EXPLANATION, FIRST OF
2 ALL, I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUE, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. HE HAS
3 DONE SUCH HEAVY LIFTING ON THE ISSUE OF HOMELESSNESS AND NEVER
4 STOPPED SAYING WE HAVE TO DO THIS, WE HAVE TO DO THIS, WE HAVE
5 TO DO THIS. AND SO, IN THE SPIRIT OF LOOKING AT, AS IT WILL
6 TURN OUT NOW BECAUSE OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S AMENDMENT,
7 THREE DIFFERENT WAYS NEXT WEEK TO SEE HOW WE WILL APPROACH
8 PAYING FOR HOMELESS SERVICES IN THE COUNTY, AND I'M REALLY
9 DEVOTED TO THAT. SO, I ASK TO AMEND, AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
10 THOMAS JUST ACCEPTED, ALSO ASKING THE C.E.O. AND COUNTY
11 COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK AT THE SAME MEETING, A WEEK FROM TODAY,
12 WITH A DRAFT MARIJUANA TAX REVENUE MEASURE DEDICATED TO
13 HOMLESSNESS, INCLUDING A DRAFT RESOLUTION AND EXPENDITURE
14 PLAN. AND I THINK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WAS TALKING ABOUT A
15 SALES TAX.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO, I THINK THAT GIVES US THE BEST LOOK
20 NEXT WEEK, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING, AND I SUPPORT
21 THIS. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY, WE DO HAVE
24 SEVERAL PUBLIC SPEAKERS. WE HAVE JACK BARBOUR, KEVIN MURRAY,
25 GRACE WELTMAN, QUEEN SEARLES, NANCY OZEAS, MARCUS ALLGOOD.



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2 **JACK BARBOUR:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M JACK BARBOUR, AND I'M CHAIR
3 OF THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT MENTAL
4 HEALTH COMMITTEE AND ALSO DIRECTOR OF S.C.H.A.R.P., WHICH IS A
5 NONPROFIT MENTAL HEALTH AGENCY IN LOS ANGELES. EARLIER THERE'S
6 BEEN MUCH TALK ABOUT ASSOCIATIONS WITH CHRONIC HEALTH
7 CONDITIONS, AND LACK OF HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS DEFINITELY IS
8 A CONTRIBUTOR TO CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS AS WE KNOW IT, AND
9 RESEARCH HAS ACTUALLY DICTATED THAT. SO, IF YOU THINK OF LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY AS AN ORGANISM, AS A PHYSICIAN, I CAN TELL YOU
11 THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS CONSTIPATED, AND THE CONSTIPATION
12 HAS TO DO WITH THE LACK OF HOUSING. WE DO HERCULEAN EFFORTS TO
13 TRY TO GET PEOPLE TO GO THROUGH A CONTINUUM OF CARE, TO BECOME
14 HEALTHY, TO BECOME INDEPENDENT INDIVIDUALS, AND THEN WE HAVE
15 NO PLACE FOR THEM TO LIVE. THAT CAUSES THEM TO BE TRAUMATIZED,
16 AND OUR F.S.P. PROGRAMS THEN BECOME LESS EFFECTIVE. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **GRACE WELTMAN:** GOOD EVENING. GRACE WELTMAN. I AM HERE
21 REPRESENTING THE SOUTH L.A HOMELESS T.A.Y. AND FOSTER CARE
22 COLLABORATIVE. I'M THEIR CHIEF CONSULTANT. AND THIS ITEM IS
23 VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TO US. TWO YEARS AGO, WE ADOPTED A
24 STRATEGIC PLAN FOR YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IN SOUTH L.A. INVOLVING
25 OVER 500 INDIVIDUALS PLUS ORGANIZATIONS. WE ARE IN THE MIDST



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1 OF IMPLEMENTING THIS PLAN, WHICH IS IN LINE WITH MANY OF THE
2 COUNTY'S STRATEGIES. AND RESOURCES BECOME AN ISSUE. AND AS WE
3 ARE THINKING THROUGH, WE WANT YOU TO JUST CONTINUE TO EXPLORE
4 OPTIONS FOR FUNDING. WE CONTINUE TO SAY THIS IS A CRISIS. WE
5 APPLAUD THE BOARD'S WORK. WE APPRECIATE AND LOVE SUPERVISOR
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR NOT GIVING UP. WE'RE TAKING THIS TO
7 SACRAMENTO, WHATEVER WE NEED TO DO, BUT WE NEED TO LOOK AT
8 RESOURCES. OUR YOUTH, OUR HOMELESS YOUTH IN SOUTH L.A. HAVE A
9 LOT OF FACTORS THEY HAVE TO DEAL WITH. IF THEY COME FROM THE
10 FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, THEY WERE IN PROBATION, THEY HAVE BEEN IN
11 GROUP HOMES, THEY HAVE BEEN MOVED AROUND QUITE A BIT, SO THESE
12 RESOURCES ARE NEEDED. SO, LET'S EXPLORE THIS.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SPEAKER?

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16 **MARCUS ALLGOOD:** HI. MY NAME IS MARCUS ALLGOOD. I'M A MEMBER OF
17 ISLA L.A., A CONGREGATION OF 200 FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS. I'M
18 ALSO A MEMBER OF THE LEADERSHIP TABLE OF L.A. VOICE. L.A.
19 VOICE IS A MULTI-FAITH, MULTI-RACIAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZING
20 INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTING 60,000 FAMILIES IN L.A. COUNTY. L.A.
21 VOICE IS DEEPLY CONCERNED WITH THE HOMELESS CRISIS DATA THAT
22 AFFLICT US ALL. WE THINK THAT IN THE SHORT-TERM, IT IS
23 REASONABLE TO GET A REPORT BACK ON THE MARIJUANA TAX AND THE
24 PARCEL TAX TO HELP WITH FUNDING EFFORTS ENDING HOMELESSNESS.
25 MY CONGREGATION JUST WENT THROUGH THE HUMANITARIAN DAY THERE



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1 ON SKID ROW. WE SERVED OVER 1,500 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS AND
2 FAMILIES WITH FOOD, CLOTHING, HYGIENE KITS, PROVIDED VISION
3 EXAMS, MEDICAL AND DENTAL CARE RIGHT THERE ON SKID ROW. IT
4 SEEMS THE HOMELESS PROBLEM IS INCREASING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
5 TIME.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SORRY IT TOOK SO LONG TO
8 GET HERE. NEXT PLEASE.

9

10 **NANCY OZEAS:** HI. MY NAME IS NANCY OZEAS, AND I AM A BUSINESS
11 OWNER AND RESIDENT OF VENICE, CALIFORNIA. I WANT TO START BY
12 THANKING SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND YOUR STAFF FOR YOUR
13 CONTINUED SUPPORT TO END HOMELESSNESS, IDENTIFYING IT AS A
14 CRISIS. AND DEMANDING IMMEDIATE ACTION. I APPRECIATE YOUR WORK
15 SO MUCH. YOU KNOW, IT STRUCK ME LISTENING TO ALL THE GREAT
16 ADVOCACY AROUND PARKS TODAY, THAT IT'S PRETTY HARD TO WALK TO
17 A PARK WITHOUT HAVING TO STEP OVER OR WALK AROUND A HOMELESS
18 ANGELENO. AND I THINK WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO THINK ABOUT BOTH
19 OF THESE ISSUES, AND I HOPE WE DON'T HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN
20 THEM. SO, I'M HERE TODAY TO VOICE MY SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE
21 EVERYONE TO SUPPORT THE SUPERVISOR'S PARCEL TAX OR WHEREVER
22 YOU COME DOWN ON THE BEST BALLOT INITIATIVE FOR THE NOVEMBER
23 BALLOT. I THINK THE DEMOGRAPHICS HAVE SHOWN AND THE POLLING
24 THAT IT IS THE BEST SHOT TO BE APPROVED IN NOVEMBER TO PROVIDE



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1 SERVICES FOR HOMELESS AND TO COMPLEMENT THE HOUSING AND
2 DEVELOPMENT BOND INITIATIVE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS VOTED.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **NANCY OZEAS:** AND I WOULD JUST QUICKLY SAY, IF IT'S ON, THERE'S
7 SO MANY BALLOT INITIATIVES THAT WILL BE ON, I REALLY URGE YOU
8 TO BE AS FORTHCOMING WITH INFORMATION TO THE VOTING PUBLIC SO
9 WE CAN MAKE AN EDUCATED CHOICE.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY, WE HAVE MARIE
12 RUMSEY, LISA PAYNE, DENNY ZANE, MIKE ALVIDREZ, TOMMY NEWMAN,
13 BOOKER PEARSON.

14

15 **MARIE RUMSEY:** GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS MARIE RUMSEY. I'M HERE
16 FROM THE CENTRAL CITY ASSOCIATION. I WOULD LIKE TO READ A
17 STATEMENT FROM CAROL SCHATZ, OUR PRESIDENT AND C.E.O., WHO IS
18 OUT OF TOWN. "NO ONE UNDERSTANDS THE IMPACTS OF HOMELESSNESS
19 BETTER THAN THE DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY. WE'RE GROUND ZERO FOR THIS
20 PROBLEM. ITS IMPACTS TO THE HOMELESS, THE RESIDENTS, THE
21 BUSINESSES, THE VISITORS, AND PROPERTY OWNERS ALIKE ARE
22 DEVASTATING. BUT THE COUNTY MUST TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION NOT
23 JUST THE NEED FOR HOMELESS FUNDING BUT ALSO THE COST OF THAT
24 FUNDING, THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THAT FUNDING, AND WHO PAYS THAT
25 COST. TODAY WE CANNOT SUPPORT A PARCEL TAX BASED ON SQUARE



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1 FOOTAGE, BECAUSE WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DISCUSS THIS TAX
2 WITH OUR PROPERTY-OWNER MEMBERS. AND WE CANNOT SUPPORT A PARK
3 PARCEL TAX. WE BELIEVE THAT PARK PARCEL TAX DOES NOT BELONG ON
4 THIS BALLOT. WE BELIEVE THE HIGHER PRIORITY IS HOMELESSNESS.
5 C.C.A. SUPPORTED THE CITY'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND, AND WE
6 BELIEVE A REASONABLE PARCEL TAX PER SQUARE FOOT OR PER PARCEL
7 OR SOME OTHER KIND OF FAIR ASSESSMENT WILL BE SUPPORTED BY THE
8 PROPERTY OWNERS, BUT WE NEED TIME TO VET THIS WITH THEM. WE
9 THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP IN
10 ADDRESSING THE HOMELESS CRISIS AND LOOK FORWARD TO OUR
11 CONTINUED WORK TOGETHER. THANK YOU."

12

13 **LISA PAYNE:** HI. THIS IS LISA PAYNE WITH S.C.A.N.P.H. I JUST
14 WANTED TO SAY DENNY ZANE HAD TO LEAVE BUT WANTED TO VOICE HIS
15 SUPPORT FOR THIS MEASURE, AS WELL. AS YOU ALL KNOW, THESE ARE
16 REALLY SCARY TIMES. EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD HAS ENCAMPMENTS OF
17 PEOPLE LIVING ON THE SIDEWALKS. INCREASINGLY PEOPLE ARE UNABLE
18 TO KEEP UP WITH RISING RENTS AND FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS.
19 INTENDED VOUCHERS ARE GETTING TURNED BACK IN, BECAUSE PEOPLE
20 CANNOT FIND LANDLORDS WHO WILL TAKE THEM. THIS CALAMITY CALLS
21 OUT FOR GOVERNMENT ACTION. THERE ARE DEVELOPERS READY TO BUILD
22 BEAUTIFUL, HEALTHY HOMES AND TIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS READY
23 TO PROVIDE INTENSIVE SERVICES. ALL THAT IS NEEDED IS FUNDING.
24 THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE A SIGNIFICANT STREAM OF
25 FUNDING ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT TO HELP ADDRESS THIS CRISIS. WE



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1 URGE YOU TO SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY AND PLACE A PARCEL TAX OR
2 OTHER FUNDING MEASURE ON THE BALLOT. WE APPRECIATE ALL THAT
3 YOU HAVE DONE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING UP TO NOW, AS WELL. THANK
4 YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT?

7

8 **BOOKER PEARSON:** HI. MY NAME IS BOOKER PEARSON. I'M A FOUNDING
9 BOARD MEMBER OF UPPER BOUND HOUSE THAT SUPPLIES HOUSING AND
10 SERVICES TO HOMELESS FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN. I'M ALSO THE
11 CHAIR OF THE COUNTY PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION. I URGE
12 YOU TO PASS SOME FUNDING SOURCE, CONTINUING TO SUPPORT
13 SERVICES AND RAPID REHOUSING THAT IS SO BADLY NEEDED. HOUSING
14 WITHOUT SERVICES OR RAPID REHOUSING WILL NOT WORK FOR THIS
15 COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR PASSING A MOTION IN MAY TO
16 ADDRESS THE COST AND THE EXTENT OF FAMILY HOMELESSNESS AND TO
17 TELL YOU THAT THE HEADLINES IN THIS WEEKEND'S NEWSPAPERS WERE
18 THAT SKID ROW IS FLOODED, FLOODED WITH HOMELESS WOMEN AND
19 CHILDREN. THEY'RE LITERALLY ON COTS. WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING.
20 ADDING ONE HALF OF 1 PERCENT OF OUR BUDGET TO THIS CRISIS
21 WON'T DO IT. WE'VE GOT TO STEP UP AND ADD MORE FUNDING IF WE
22 EXPECT TO REMEDY THE SITUATION THAT IS APPROACHING US. THANK
23 YOU.

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1 **TOMMY NEWMAN:** TOMMY NEWMAN, L.A. FAMILY HOUSING, THE LARGEST
2 HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDER AND HOUSING DEVELOPER BASED IN THE
3 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU SO
4 MUCH FOR YOUR CONTINUED FOCUS ON THIS. I KNOW THAT THERE HAVE
5 BEEN A LOT OF DOORS CLOSED AND YOU'RE CONTINUING TO WORK HARD
6 TO FIND THE ONE THAT YOU CAN OPEN. AND SO, WE THANK YOU FOR
7 DOING THAT. WE AS AN ORGANIZATION SUPPORT WHATEVER HAS THE
8 BEST CHANCE OF PASSING, AND WE'LL PUT THOSE DOLLARS TO WORK AS
9 EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY AS WE CAN. SO, THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, GREAT. WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS,
12 CHRISTINE GLASCO, KIM MCGILL, DORA GALLO, JONATHAN THOMPSON,
13 CHRIS KO.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
16 AND CONGRATULATIONS. RECOGNIZING HOMELESSNESS IS A PROBLEM.
17 SO, WITH THE PASSAGE OF THIS PARCEL TAX AND A PASSAGE OF THE
18 PARKS PARCEL TAX, THAT WILL BE 4-1/2-CENTS-A-SQUARE-FOOT TAX.
19 SO, IF YOU HAVE LIKE A 1,000-SQUARE FOOT APARTMENT, YOUR
20 RENT'S GOING TO GO UP \$40. NO, IT'S GOING TO GO UP \$100
21 BECAUSE IT WILL BE \$40 AS A PARCEL TAX. IT'S GOING TO GO UP
22 \$100. ONE OF THE PROBLEMS WITH HOMELESSNESS IS THE
23 AFFORDABILITY OF HOUSING IN THE L.A. MARKET. SO, WAY TO
24 ADDRESS THAT. SO THIS WAS AN ARTICLE FROM 7/28/15 REGARDING
25 THE BOSTON OLYMPICS. AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN SEE THAT. IT



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1 SAYS, "NO BOSTON OLYMPICS. BETTER HOUSING, NO OLYMPIC GAMES.
2 BETTER SCHOOLS, NO OLYMPIC GAMES. SAFER STREETS, NO OLYMPIC
3 GAMES." AND IN L.A., WE'RE 0-3, OLYMPIC GAMES.

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5 **CHRISTINE MIRASY-GLASCO:** MY NAME IS CHRISTINE MIRASY-GLASCO.
6 I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UPWARD BOUND HOUSE, A SOCIAL
7 SERVICE AGENCY THAT PROVIDES TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT HOUSING
8 IN SERVICE PLANNING AREAS 5 AND 6. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO COMMEND
9 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE LEADERSHIP IT HAS SHOWN IN
10 FORMULATING THE 47 STRATEGIES TO END HOMELESSNESS IN L.A.
11 COUNTY. THANKS TO YOUR EFFORTS, THE HOMELESS CRISIS IS NOW IN
12 THE PUBLIC CONSCIOUSNESS. TODAY, I'M HERE TO URGE YOU TO
13 CONTINUE YOUR LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION ON THIS ISSUE BY
14 PUTTING A REVENUE BALLOT MEASURE IN NOVEMBER. DOING SO WILL
15 PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE, COMPLEMENTARY, AND 360 APPROACH TO
16 FUNDING THE ELIMINATION OF HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COUNTY. SO, I
17 THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND HOPE YOU'LL DO SO.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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21 **DORA GALLO:** MY NAME IS DORA GALLO. I'M THE C.E.O. FOR A
22 COMMUNITY OF FRIENDS, AND WE'RE A PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
23 DEVELOPER WITH DEVELOPMENTS IN ALL FIVE SUPERVISORIAL
24 DISTRICTS. WE SUPPORT THE EFFORT TODAY AND THE MOTIONS AND THE
25 AMENDMENTS TO CREATE A REVENUE SOURCE TO FUND SERVICES AND



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1 RENTAL AND OPERATING SUBSIDIES FOR THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS.
2 THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES NOW FOR FUNDING FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION,
3 BUT THE HARDEST RESOURCE TO ALSO GET FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
4 HOUSING HAS ALWAYS BEEN SERVICES. THIS PROPOSAL WILL
5 COMPLIMENT WHAT'S BEING DONE AT THE STATE AND ALSO THE CITY
6 LEVEL IN PROVIDING RESOURCES FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. THIS
7 WILL BE PAIRED WITH SERVICES FROM THIS PROPOSAL. THE COUNTY'S
8 OWN REPORT SHOWS THAT THERE IS A GAP OF \$450 MILLION FOR
9 SERVICES FUNDING IN PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. SO, WE LOOK
10 FORWARD TO A REPORT BACK FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO PROPOSE
11 AN OPTION FOR THESE THREE PROPOSALS BEFORE YOU AND WE LOOK
12 FORWARD TO ONE OF THEM BEING PASSED AND PUT ON THE NOVEMBER
13 BALLOT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **KIM MCGILL:** GOOD EVENING. KIM MCGILL FROM THE YOUTH JUSTICE
16 COALITION. I ALSO REALLY APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF ALL THE
17 SUPERVISORS IN PUTTING THIS FORWARD, ESPECIALLY MARK RIDLEY-
18 THOMAS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS. THE YOUTH JUSTICE
19 COALITION, OBVIOUSLY MANY OF OUR MEMBERS ARE HOMELESS AND LIVE
20 IN CARS OR DOUBLED UP IN OTHER PEOPLE'S HOMES. THIS IS A HUGE
21 ISSUE FOR US. BEHIND MY HOUSE, THERE IS AN ALLEY WHERE THERE
22 WERE ALWAYS THREE OR FOUR TENTS IN THE ALLEY, PEOPLE LIVING
23 PERMANENTLY, BUT NOW 15 TO 20 PEOPLE LIVE IN THOSE TENTS. IT'S
24 GONE UP BY ABOUT 100 PERCENT IN THE LAST YEAR. THE CITY COMES
25 THROUGH EVERY WEEK WITH A GARBAGE TRUCK AND SOMETIMES WITH A



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1 SKIP LOADER AND CLEARS EVERYONE OUT WITH NO REAL OPTIONS FOR
2 THOSE FOLKS OF WHERE TO GO. THE NEXT WEEK, THEY RECOLLECT
3 THEIR THINGS AND TRY TO MAKE THE BEST OF MAKING HOME WHERE
4 THEY HAVE IT IN THE STREET. OUR ONLY CONCERN IS THAT WE NOT
5 HAVE COMPETING INTERESTS ON THE BALLOT. WE WANT BOTH MEASURES
6 TO MOVE FORWARD, AND WE THINK HOMELESSNESS IS AN URGENT CRISIS
7 IN LOS ANGELES. SO, WE URGE YOU TO THINK ABOUT OTHER FUNDING
8 MEASURES ALSO, POSSIBLY A MARIJUANA TAX. WE KNOW OTHER THINGS
9 ARE BEING DISCUSSED. THE ONE ADVANTAGE TO A MARIJUANA TAX IS
10 IT ALSO DISCOURAGES USE AMONG PEOPLE THAT DON'T NEED TO USE AS
11 MUCH AS THEY ARE AS WELL AS USE AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE AND WILL
12 LEAD TO EVEN GREATER REVENUE STREAMS THAN THE PARCEL TAX.
13 THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

16

17 **JONATHAN THOMPSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. TO THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR WORKING TOWARDS ADDRESSING
19 HOMELESSNESS. THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF THE COUNTY, THE CITY,
20 THE STATE HAVE LED TO OVER \$3 BILLION BEING AVAILABLE FOR
21 PERMANENT HOUSING FOR BOTH CHRONICALLY HOMELESS AND MENTALLY
22 ILL INDIVIDUALS. AS A MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDER AND CHAIR
23 OF THE S.P.A. 6 HOMELESS COALITION AND CO-CHAIR OF THE L.A.
24 COALITION TO END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS, WE BELIEVE THAT TO
25 COMPREHENSIVELY ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS, AND PARTICULARLY CHRONIC



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1 HOMELESSNESS, WELL-FUNDED MENTAL SERVICES ARE ESSENTIAL. AS A
2 RESULT, WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. IN CLOSING, AS A
3 SERVICE PROVIDER FOR SERIOUSLY EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED AND
4 SEVERELY AND PERSISTENTLY MENTALLY ILL TRANSITION-AGED YOUTH,
5 WE HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND THE TREMENDOUS SUCCESS OF MENTAL
6 HEALTH, OUTREACH TEAMS, SUCH AS S.B.82 AND D.M.H. TO OUTREACH
7 TEAMS WHO OUTREACH TO MENTALLY ILL YOUTH AND LINK THEM TO
8 EMERGENCY MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AS WELL AS TO
9 PERMANENT HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH PERMANENT HOUSING WHO ARE NOW
10 IN SCHOOL, WORKING AND LIVING HEALTHIER LIVES AND YOUR SUPPORT
11 OF THIS MEASURE CAN INCREASE THAT SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **CHRIS KO:** GOOD, ALL THIS EVENING, HONORABLE BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS, CHRIS KO WITH UNITED WAY. THANK YOU FOR
17 CONSIDERING THIS ITEM AND HEARING OUR COMMENTS ON SUCH A LONG
18 DAY. WE'RE EXCITED TO SEE THIS BOARD MORE FORMALLY TAKE STEPS
19 FOR IT ON CREATING A DEDICATED FUNDING SOURCE TO END
20 HOMELESSNESS IN THIS COUNTY. THIS MOMENT IS ESPECIALLY RIPE,
21 GIVEN THE CITY'S PROVISIONAL PLACEMENT OF THE HOUSING BOND ON
22 THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. NOW COUNTY SERVICES HAVE A PLACE TO
23 DIRECT HOUSEHOLDS TOWARD AND A PLACE TO PROVIDE SUPPORTS IN.
24 HALF THE CITY/COUNTY BRIDGE, WE BELIEVE, HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED,
25 AND YOUR PARTNERSHIP IS NEEDED MORE THAN EVER TO COMPLETE THAT



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1 SPAN. A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, THIS BOARD RIGHTLY DECLARED
2 HOMELESSNESS TO BE AN EMERGENCY TO THE GOVERNOR. AND WE KNOW
3 THIS IS NOT AN EASY TASK, BUT AN EMERGENCY MEANS THAT INACTION
4 IS CONSIDERED UNTHINKABLE, ESPECIALLY WHEN LIVES ARE ON THE
5 LINE. SO, THANK YOU FOR ALL THE ACTIONS YOU'VE TAKEN TODAY TO
6 MAKE L.A. A PLACE ALL OF US CAN BE PROUD TO LIVE IN. PLEASE
7 MOVE FORWARD ON EXPLORATION OF ALL OPTIONS TO HELP 47,000 MORE
8 ANGELENOS PROPERLY ENJOY THIS GREAT COUNTY, AS WELL. THANK
9 YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ANN SEWILL, COLLEEN MURPHY, RENEE
12 SMITH, JACKIE HAWTHORN, GREG SPIEGEL, RUTH SCHWARTZ, HERMAN
13 HERMAN.

14

15 **ANN SEWILL:** GOOD EVENING. I'M ANN SEWILL. I'M THE VICE
16 PRESIDENT OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AT THE
17 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION. THANK YOU FOR HEARING US.
18 THANK YOU FOR YOUR PERSISTENCE AND FOR THIS BEING AN ONGOING,
19 SUSTAINED DISCUSSION. MY BOSS, ANTONIA HERNANDEZ, HAS A SAYING
20 THAT I HAVE TAPED ABOVE MY COMPUTER, WHICH IS "BE VISIONARY,
21 BUT BE PRAGMATIC." AND THIS BOARD HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO
22 THAT. I THINK THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN MY 30 YEARS OF WORKING
23 ON THIS WHERE WE'VE SEEN THE OUTPOURING OF SUPPORT FROM THE
24 VOTERS THAT WE SEE WITH THE VARIOUS POLLS. THE COMMUNITY
25 FOUNDATION JUST POLLED WITH U.C.L.A. 1,200 L.A. COUNTY



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1 RESIDENTS AND FOUND THE NUMBER-ONE ISSUE THAT THEY ALL SAID
2 THEY WOULD PUT MORE MONEY INTO, EXCEPT FOR EVANGELICALS, WHO
3 WOULD PUT IT INTO THEIR CHURCHES, BUT THE NUMBER-ONE ISSUE WAS
4 HOMELESSNESS. AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING WAS WAY DOWN, AS WERE
5 MANY OF THE OTHER THINGS WE'VE BEEN DISCUSSING RECENTLY. SO, I
6 THINK THE PRAGMATIC IDEA IS WE SHOULD DO WHAT WINS. THE
7 VISIONARY IDEA WAS WE SHOULD DO WHAT'S RIGHT. AND I THINK WE
8 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY BEFORE YOU WITH THIS MOTION TO DO BOTH.
9 THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

12

13 **COLLEEN MURPHY:** HELLO, MY NAME IS COLLEEN MURPHY. I WORK WITH
14 ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER. WE SERVICE HOMELESS PEOPLE IN SERVICE
15 AREA 5 AND 6. I ALMOST WASN'T ABLE TO MAKE IT TODAY, BECAUSE I
16 WAS ALERTED FIRST THING THIS MORNING THAT ONE OF OUR CLIENTS
17 HAD PASSED AWAY OVER THE WEEKEND. ALONE. ON THE STREETS. HE
18 WAS ONLY 35 YEARS OLD. THIS WAS THE THIRD TIME I'VE BEEN
19 ALERTED IN AS MANY MONTHS OF PEOPLE WHO HAD PASSED AWAY WHO WE
20 CARED FOR. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT A CRISIS, I SEE THAT CRISIS DAY
21 IN AND DAY OUT, AND SO DO THE PEOPLE WHO PERFORM THE
22 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO HELP TO MAKE THE LIVES OF THOSE, THE
23 47,000 PEOPLE WHO LIVE ON THE STREETS, TO TRY TO MAKE THEIR
24 LIVES BETTER. AND SO, I SEE THE HUGE NEED, AND I SEE ALSO THE
25 HUGE OPPORTUNITY FOR THESE SERVICES. SO, I URGE FOR US TO HAVE



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1 A SUSTAINABLE FUNDING SOURCE, INCLUDING THE PARCEL TAX, TO
2 HELP FUND THIS LIFESAVING WORK. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
3 LEADERSHIP.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

6

7 **JACKIE HAWTHORNE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JACKIE HAWTHORNE.
8 I AM A RESIDENT IN BALDWIN HILLS IN SUPERVISOR MARK T.'S
9 DISTRICT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICES ON THIS HOMELESSNESS
10 CRISIS. I'M ALSO A GARCETTI-APPOINTED COMMISSIONER ON THE
11 COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY AND FAMILY SERVICES. I WOULD LIKE THE
12 RECORD TO REFLECT THAT I SPEAK FOR MYSELF AND NOT FOR THE
13 COMMISSION. THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROGRESS ON THIS
14 HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR REALLY GOOD
15 APPROACH, YOUR DELIBERATE APPROACH IN PROGRESSING TOWARDS THE
16 NOVEMBER ELECTION. I ASK THAT THE LANGUAGE AND PRESENTATION OF
17 THE REPORTS BE SIMPLE YET COMPREHENSIVE. I ASK THAT THE DRAFTS
18 LIFT AND EXPLAIN IN EXCEPTIONS FROM THE PROPOSALS. AND I URGE
19 A YES VOTE ON THE ITEM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. JACKIE HAWTHORNE,
20 OVER AND OUT.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

23

24 **RUTH SCHWARTZ:** HI, RUTH SCHWARTZ, SHELTER PARTNERSHIP. AND,
25 YOU KNOW, THIS IS CLEARLY A CRITICAL JUNCTURE WE'RE AT. I



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1 MEAN, RENTS ARE SKYROCKETING, AND WE'RE GOING TO SEE,
2 UNFORTUNATELY, MORE PEOPLE ON THE STREET. WE'VE GOT TO GET OUR
3 HANDS AROUND THIS. I THINK -- YOU KNOW, I WANT TO THANK THE
4 BOARD FOR ITS LEADERSHIP AND CALL OUT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
5 ESPECIALLY ON THIS FOR KEEPING THE ISSUE ALIVE. YOU KNOW, OUR
6 STREETS ARE JUST -- EVEN MY COMMUNITY, SILVERLAKE, WHICH IS
7 FAIRLY, YOU KNOW, MIDDLE CLASS -- IS REALLY IMPACTED BY MORE
8 PEOPLE ON THE THE STREETS AND INCREASED ENCAMPMENTS. I THINK
9 THE STATE HAS MOVED FORWARD, CITY HAS MOVED FORWARD. THE
10 COUNTY NEEDS TO MOVE FORWARD AND TAKE CARE OF SOME OF THESE
11 GAPS THAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE IN SERVICES, OPERATING OUTREACH,
12 AND THE LIKE. AS THE PROVIDER OF SERVICES FOR INDIGENT PEOPLE,
13 I WOULD HAVE EXPECTED YOU TO BE FIRST, ACTUALLY. BUT, YOU
14 KNOW, I'LL TAKE THIRD. IT'S TIME TO GO. THANK YOU.

15

16 **HERMAN HERMAN:** TRULY, SUCH COMPASSION WHEN IT COMES TO
17 HOMELESSNESS. AS I WAS UP IN SACRAMENTO TALKING TO MR. MARK
18 LENO AND THAT COMMISSION, TRULY, I TRUMP, TRUMP, TRUMP, TRUMP,
19 TRUMP AT THE CAPITOL, REMINDING THEM THE DIGNITY OF
20 HOMELESSNESS. WHERE IS THE COMPASSION, MR. RILEY, FOR
21 HOMELESSNESS? YOU BUILT YOUR GARAGE INTO A HOME. WHY NOT OFFER
22 THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS A GARAGE TO LIVE IN IN DIGNITY AND
23 RESPECT AND HAVE SELF-ESTEEM TO BE A PART OF OUR COMMUNITY?
24 RATHER, YOU GUT OUT ALL THE MONEY THAT IS NEEDED NOT TO
25 SHELTER PEOPLE BUT TO GIVE THEM SECTION 8 OR SOME TYPE OF HOME



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1 STRUCTURE. SO, WITHOUT THAT, THAT'S THE REASON WHY WE HAVE
2 PROBLEMS. KEVIN DE LEON IS A MORON, BECAUSE HE SAYS HE'S DOING
3 STUFF THAT IS IN THE INTEREST OF PUBLIC, A.B.1618, A.B.1622,
4 BUNCH OF FOOLS.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE CARLOS MARROQUIN, DONALD
7 KRONOS, GREG SPIEGEL, RENEE SMITH.

8

9 **CARLOS MARROQUIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. FIRST OF ALL, I'M AN
10 ACTIVIST WORKING WITH HOMEOWNERS THAT HAVE LOST THEIR HOMES
11 THROUGHOUT THE CRISIS. I HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND THE PAIN, THE
12 SUFFERING, THAT THESE FAMILIES HAVE TO GO THROUGH, ESPECIALLY
13 HAVING TO DEAL WITH FAMILIES, THAT ONCE THEY'RE THROWN OUT OF
14 THEIR HOMES HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO PLACE TO GO, MANY OF THEM STILL
15 STRUGGLING TO THIS DAY AFTER YEARS OF BEING THROWN OUT OF
16 THEIR HOMES. SO, I WANT TO COMMEND SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS FOR HIS EFFORTS AND FOR HIS CONTINUING PUSHING FOR THIS
18 ITEM TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS DISCUSSED AND IT IS AT THE
19 FOREFRONT OF WHAT OUR PRIORITY IS. SO, I AM IN FULL SUPPORT OF
20 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S EFFORTS, AND WE HOPE THAT EVERYONE
21 CONTINUES TO FOCUS ON THESE ISSUES, BECAUSE IT INVOLVES ALL OF
22 US, OUR FAMILIES. ANY OF US COULD BE THE NEXT PERSON OUT THERE
23 IN THE STREETS. THANK YOU, MR. THOMAS.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, SIR. YOU'RE ON.



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2 **DONALD KRONOS:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** STATE YOUR NAME, PLEASE.

5

6 **DONALD KRONOS:** MY NAME IS DONALD KRONOS. THANK YOU FOR
7 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK. YEAH, HOMELESSNESS. I'VE BEEN HOMELESS,
8 ACTUALLY, SEVERAL TIMES IN MY LIFE. I'M NOT CURRENTLY. I DON'T
9 KNOW THAT SOMEBODY WHO HAS EVER BEEN THROUGH IT CAN REALLY
10 QUITE COMPREHEND WHAT IT'S REALLY LIKE. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY
11 SOMETHING. YOU KNOW, THIS PARTICULAR ITEM, I SEE GOOD AND BAD
12 IN IT, AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO RECOMMEND. BUT I THINK
13 OVERALL, I'M MORE FOR IT THAN AGAINST IT, I'LL SAY THAT. BUT
14 WE DO NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT HOMELESSNESS. I DO WANT TO
15 SAY THAT FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN
16 HOMELESS, SOME OF THE MEASURES THAT MIGHT NOT BE CONSIDERED
17 MAYBE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED THAT MOST PEOPLE MIGHT CONSIDER TOO
18 UNCOMFORTABLE TO EVEN THINK ABOUT, BUT A PLACE WHERE YOU'RE
19 SAFE, WHERE YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT GETTING HURT IS WHAT
20 IS MOST NEEDED FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE OUT THERE ON THE STREET.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

23



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1 **DONALD KRONOS:** AND IT DOESN'T HAVE TO NECESSARILY BE AN
2 APARTMENT OR WHATEVER. JUST GET THEM SOMEWHERE SAFE. THAT'S A
3 FIRST STEP.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE RENEE SMITH..

6

7 **DONALD KRONOS:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ..GREG SPIEGEL, WAYNE FROM ENCINO.

10

11 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YEAH, I ALWAYS TRY TO GET ON MY TABLET AND TRY
12 TO FIND A PICTURE OF A BUNCH OF HOGS EATING, BECAUSE THAT'S
13 WHAT YOU GOT HERE, TOO MUCH GREED, [OINKS] TRYING TO GET TOO
14 MUCH THINGS AT ONE TIME, [OINKS] AND TOO MANY TAXES AT ONE
15 TIME IS A BAD IDEA FOR A BALLOT. [OINKS] SO, WHY NOT JUST TAKE
16 ONE OF THEM, DO THEM ONE THIS YEAR AND ONE THE NEXT YEAR?
17 BECAUSE YOU'RE DOING YOUR POLLING AND IT'S A PRESIDENTIAL
18 ELECTION AND YOU FIGURE YOU'RE GOING TO GET ALL THESE PEOPLE
19 LIKE YOU DID IN '08 AND '12 THAT DON'T KNOW NOTHING AND
20 THEY'RE GOING TO GO, HEY, MAN, THAT'S REALLY COOL ALL THAT
21 TAXES AND ALL THOSE OLD PEOPLE, YEAH, BROTHER, PASS EM ALL,
22 MAN. BUT NOT THIS TIME. MY POLLING SAYS LOW VOTER TURNOUT FOR
23 THE ELECTION AND EVERY ONE OF THESE FAILS.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE HAVE LANCASTER ONLINE. WE
2 HAVE DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS AND MIKE JENKINS, MICHAEL JENKINS.

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4 **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** YES, I AM DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS.
5 I JUST WANT TO SAY, I JUST CAME OUT OF THE BATHROOM. I'M IN
6 LANCASTER IN THE CITY LIBRARY, WHERE THERE ARE ALSO CHILDREN.
7 AND I JUST WENT INTO THE LADY'S ROOM AND SITTING THERE IN THE
8 LADY'S ROOM IS A HOMELESS WOMAN WASHING HER PRIVATE PART, YOU
9 KNOW THE PART THAT BEGINS WITH A V THAT YOU PROBABLY DON'T
10 WANT ME TO SAY. NOW, SUPPOSE I WERE A CHILD THAT HAD WALKED IN
11 THERE AND I HAD SEEN THAT. MY QUESTION TO YOU IS THAT WE NEED
12 TO DO SOMETHING FOR THE HOMELESS SO THAT THEY CAN HAVE SOME
13 PUBLIC WASHROOMS, THEY CAN HAVE SOMEPLACE TO GO, THEY CAN HAVE
14 SOMEPLACE IN WHICH TO CLEANSE THEMSELVES. BUT TO HAVE IT IN A
15 SITUATION WHERE YOU CAN HAVE CHILDREN WALK INTO THE RESTROOM
16 LIKE I JUST DID, AND I REPORTED IT TO THE GENTLEMAN HERE,
17 WASHING HER VAGINA IN FRONT OF A CHILD IS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO ME
18 IN 2016. WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING, BUT I AGREE WITH THE
19 GENTLEMAN BEFORE YOU, PIG SOUND, PIG SOUND, PIG SOUND, YOU'RE
20 PUTTING TOO MUCH MONEY ON THE BALLOT. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS:** MY NAME IS EVANGELIST MIKE
23 JENKINS. OKAY. I AGREE WITH DR. WILLIAMS. OUT HERE IS
24 HOMELESS, HOMELESS, HOMELESS. THIS IS A PLANTATION. MIKE
25 ANTONOVICH, HE'S NOT EVEN THERE. MIKE ANTONOVICH WENT TO GO



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1 HIDE UP UNDERNEATH HIS ROCK LIKE HE USUALLY DO. HE DON'T CARE
2 ABOUT THIS PLANTATION. NOBODY CARES ABOUT THIS PLANTATION. REX
3 PARRIS DON'T CARE ABOUT THIS PLANTATION. HE'S GETTING ALL THE
4 MONEY HE CAN BEFORE HE CROAK AND DIE, OKAY? I KNOW ALL ABOUT
5 HIS ILLNESSES. I SAW STEVE BAKER, THE ONE THAT'S SUPPOSED TO
6 BE OVER THE HOMELESS SHELTER, HE'S ABOUT TO DIE. HE'S ABOUT
7 LEANING OVER THE THING WHEN WE WAS AT COSTCO'S LAST WEEK. HE'S
8 ABOUT TO DIE. AND THIS IS ABOUT THE GUY THAT'S RUNNING THE
9 HOMELESS SHELTER. COME ON, LET'S GET SOMEBODY OUT HERE THAT'S
10 GOING TO RUN THE HOMELESS SHELTER RIGHT. GET REX PARRIS OUT OF
11 THE OFFICE. HE AIN'T DOING NOTHING. MIKE ANTONOVICH AIN'T
12 DOING NOTHING. NOBODY IS DOING NOTHING.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US
15 AS AMENDED.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, AS AMENDED BY
18 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I'M SORRY,
19 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. MAY I JUST SIMPLY
20 ACKNOWLEDGE THE FACT THAT MIKE ALVIDREZ FROM SKID ROW HOUSING
21 TRUST AS WELL AS KEVIN MURRAY FROM THE WEINGART CENTER,
22 SEARLES QUEEN -- QUEEN SEARLES, RATHER, FROM HOMELESS
23 RESCUERS, RENEE SMITH FROM THE LOS ANGELES CHRISTIAN HEALTH
24 CENTERS, GREG SPIEGEL FROM THE INNER CITY LAW CENTER, AS WELL
25 AS DENNY ZANE FROM SANTA MONICANS FOR RENTERS RIGHTS WERE HERE



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1 TO TESTIFY. THEY LASTED AS LONG AS THEY COULD, BUT A SHOUT OUT
2 TO ALL OF THE PERSONS WHO DID REMAIN AND TESTIFY. YOUR
3 TESTIMONY IS NOTED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED BY THE MEMBERS OF
4 THE BOARD. WITH THAT, MADAME CHAIR, THERE WILL BE MUCH MORE TO
5 DISCUSS IN THE COMING WEEKS ON THIS MATTER. I WOULD
6 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST AN AYE VOTE ON THE MATTER AS AMENDED.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, IT'S
9 MOVED, SECONDED BY KUEHL. AND NO OBJECTION, THEN ORDER
10 CARRIES. MOTION CARRIES.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NOW, ITEM NO -- HOLD ON.

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16 **LARRY HAFETZ, COUNSEL:** JUST FOR CLARIFICATION. SO, ASIDE FROM
17 THE REPORT BACK, WE READ THE MOTIONS TO MEAN THAT WE ALSO
18 WOULD BRING BACK THE ACTUAL RESOLUTIONS AND/OR ORDINANCES, SO
19 SHOULD YOUR BOARD DECIDE NEXT WEEK TO ADOPT ANY OR ALL OF
20 THEM, THEY WOULD BE UP FOR CONSIDERATION.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK YOU RECOGNIZE THAT THOSE ARE
23 EXPLICITLY STATED IN THE INSTRUCTIONS TO STAFF TO DO SO. THANK
24 YOU.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. MOVING ON NOW TO ITEM NO. 3?

2 RIDLEY-THOMAS HELD THIS ITEM.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. THE
5 ITEM THAT WE SEEK TO ADDRESS HERE IS STATEWIDE LEGISLATIVE
6 EFFORTS RELATED TO STREAMLINING AFFORDABLE HOUSING. GOVERNOR
7 BROWN HAS INITIATED AN EFFORT TO STREAMLINE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
8 WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF EXPEDITING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE
9 HOUSING, A CRITICAL EFFORT NEEDED TO ADDRESS OUR HOMELESS
10 CRISIS. HOWEVER, THE CURRENT PROPOSAL SHOULD BE REFINED TO
11 ENABLE ENTITLEMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS TO BE EXPEDITED
12 RATHER THAN ELIMINATED IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT LOCAL
13 GOVERNMENTS MAINTAIN AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF LAND USE
14 AUTHORITY, WHICH IS CRITICAL IN PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF
15 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN A MANNER THAT UPLIFTS AND IS SYNERGISTIC
16 WITH REPECT TO THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. YOU'LL RECALL THAT
17 THIS CAME BEFORE US, I THINK, TWO TO THREE WEEKS AGO BY BOTH
18 SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND SOLIS. I SIMPLY WISH TO AMEND THAT
19 EFFORT BY ADDING THAT "WE DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
20 THE LEGISLATIVE STAFF, AND THE SACRAMENTO STAFF TO ALSO
21 ADVOCATE THAT ANY EXPEDITED FORM OF REVIEW ONLY BE AVAILABLE
22 TO PROJECTS THAT DO NOT ULTIMATELY RESULT IN THE SIGNIFICANT
23 DISPLACEMENT OF EXISTING LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME RESIDENTS OR
24 A NET LOSS OF EXISTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT COULD
25 POTENTIALLY FURTHER EXACERBATE THE HOMELESS CRISIS IN THE



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1 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES." I WOULD JUST OFFER THAT AS A FRIENDLY
2 AMENDMENT TO REFINE AND PUNCTUATE WHAT OUR PRIORITY CONCERNS
3 ARE. MADAME CHAIR?

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5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** ACCEPTED AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. VERY GOOD. WE DO HAVE PUBLIC
8 COMMENT. SO, I'D LIKE TO TO CALL UP DANNY ZANE, ASIYAHOLA
9 SANKARA, HERMAN HERMAN, JOSEPH DELGADO, WAYNE FROM ENCINO.
10 YES, PLEASE JUST HAVE A SEAT AND STATE YOUR NAME AND WE'LL
11 START RUNNING HERE. THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, SIR.

12

13 **ASIYAHOLA SANKARA:** GOOD EVENING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
14 ASIYAHOLA SANKARA, AND I AM THE ORGANIZING COORDINATOR WITH
15 THE ALLICANCE FOR COMMUNITY TRANSIT, LOS ANGELES. A.C.T.L.L.A.
16 IS A CITY-WIDE COALITION OF OVER 30 ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TO
17 BUILD MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR COMMUNITIES. SIMPLY PUT,
18 OUR VISION IS DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT DISPLACEMENT. WE WERE HERE
19 LAST MONTH TO SPEAK ON THIS PIECE, AND AS WE MENTIONED, IN
20 EARLY JUNE, ACT L.A. JOINED WITH 50 OTHER HOUSING GROUPS
21 ACROSS CALIFORNIA IN OPPOSING GOVERNOR BROWN'S BY-RIGHT
22 HOUSING TRAILER BILL. THE PROVISIONS INCLUDE LANGUAGE THAT
23 WOULD UNDERMINE STATE AND LOCAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS
24 AND REMOVE BOTH ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND THE COMMUNITY INPUT
25 PROCESS. SO, WE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION TO



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1 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND KUEHL, AND WE STRONGLY SUPPORT YOUR
2 MOTION TO OPPOSE THE PROPOSED TRAILER-BILL MODIFICATIONS. AND,
3 SUPERVISORS, AS A WHOLE WE COMMEND YOUR RECENT EFFORTS TO
4 MEANINGFULLY ADDRESS POVERTY IN THE COUNTY, AND WE YOU TO PASS
5 THE RECOMMENDATION AS THE LOGICAL NEXT STEP FORWARD.
6 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT DISPLACEMENT. THANK
7 YOU.

8

9 **JOSEPH DELGADO:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS JOSEPH DELGADO. I'M WITH
10 THE ALLIANCE OF CALIFORNIANS FOR COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT. I ALSO
11 WANT TO COMMEND THIS BOARD'S RECORD THIS PAST YEAR IN
12 ADDRESSING POVERTY ISSUES IN THE COUNTY. AND I ECHO WHAT MY
13 BROTHER JUST SAID RIGHT NOW. OVER 60 ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE
14 STATE STAND IN SOLIDARITY TO OPPOSE THE GOVERNOR'S BY-RIGHT
15 TRAILER BILL. AND WE HOPE AND CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR
16 OPPOSITION ON THIS, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

17

18 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES, IT'S IMPORTANT, AND YOU CAN LIVE IN A
19 TRAILER ANYWHERE IN THE CITY OF L.A. SO, YOU CAN GO PARK ON
20 THE STREET, BUT THE PROBLEM IS, IS THAT THEY KEEP MAKING THESE
21 PARKING DISTRICTS 20 FEET LONG BY 8 FEET HIGH AND THEY ARE
22 CATEGORICALLY DENYING PROGRAMATIC ACCESS TO PEOPLE WHO ARE
23 LIVE IN TRAILERS AND MOBILE HOMES ON THE STREET, AS AN
24 EXAMPLE. SO, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DISCRIMINATES AGAINST
25 HOMELESS PEOPLE. THEY DISCRIMINATE AGAINST PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN



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1 TRAILERS, OF WHICH THE SUPREME COURT HAS DEFINED AS A HOUSE,
2 AS A HOME, AS A DWELLING. YOU CAN LIVE IN A TRAILER, AND IT IS
3 A DOMICILE. SO, I WOULD STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT THE L.A. HOUSING
4 GET THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND ITS 4 MILLION PEOPLE THAT IT
5 SUBJUGATES ON BOARD AND COMPLY WITH FEDERAL AND STATE HOUSING
6 LAWS. THANK YOU.

7

8 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO, SURELY, TO EXPEDITE SUCH REFORM FOR
9 ENTITLEMENT, WE MUST STOP THE DISCRIMINATION TOWARDS THOSE WHO
10 SLEEP IN THEIR CARS, LIVE IN THEIR VANS, PARK IN OUR
11 NEIGHBORHOODS, AND HAVE RESTRICTION ZONES THAT BASICALLY KEEP
12 US, WHERE? BACK IN THE STREET. YOU CONTINUE TO PUSH US FURTHER
13 AND FURTHER INTO MR. KNABE'S AREA. YOU PUSH US FURTHER INTO
14 MS. SHEILA KUEHL'S AREA. YOU KNOW, NO ONE WANTS TO LIVE
15 HOMELESS ON THE STREET. SO, WHERE'S THE COMPASSION? WHERE'S
16 THE MOTIVE FOR COMPASSION? BECAUSE IF YOU LOOK AT MY HANDS AS
17 A WORKING BEE, I HAVE NO CALLOUS LIKE YOU PROFESSIONALS,
18 BECAUSE I'M DRIVING AND ADVOCATING FOR THE SAME PURPOSE, TO
19 SEE THAT EVERY AMERICAN WHO'S HOMELESS GETS OFF OUR STREET
20 TODAY, EVERY AMERICAN, STARTING WITH OUR VETERANS AND STARTING
21 WITH OUR CITIZENS. STOP PUTTING THEM IN THE STREETS. TRUMP,
22 TRUMP, TRUMP.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE
25 US. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,



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1 SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. OR, SUPERVISOR KNABE, DID YOU WANT TO
2 BE REGISTERED?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** NO. WITH THE AMENDMENT, I'LL CHANGE MY NO VOTE TO
5 AN ABSTAIN UNTIL I SEE THE FINAL LANGUAGE.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. OKAY, THE
8 MOTION MOVES ON, AND THIS IS A REPORT BACK. GREAT. OKAY,
9 MOVING ON TO ITEM 15. SUPERVISOR KNABE HELD THIS ITEM?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** YES. MADAME CHAIR, I WOULD LIKE -- HOPEFULLY THE
12 PARKS THE FOLKS ARE STILL HERE, IF THEY'RE NOT DROOLING IN ALL
13 THEIR SUCCESS EARLIER. I THINK A NUMBER OF THINGS. FIRST OF
14 ALL, THIS IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST EXPANSIVE CONTRACTS AS
15 IT RELATES TO THE JOB-ORDER KINDS OF SITUATIONS THAT WE'VE
16 DONE HERE IN THE COUNTY. HOW WERE THE COMPANIES ON THIS LIST
17 FOR MASTER AGREEMENTS IDENTIFIED?

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19 **JOHN WICKER:** SUPERVISOR, WE DID AN R.F.P. PROCESS, AND THAT'S
20 HOW THEY WERE IDENTIFIED.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT WERE THEY R.F.P.'ING ON? \$5 MILLION BUCKS?

23



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1 **JOHN WICKER:** NO, WE ACTUALLY -- IT'S A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
2 CONTRACT, AND IT'S ACTUALLY BROKEN INTO SIX DIFFERENT
3 CATEGORIES.

4
5 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. WHAT IS THAT?

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7 **JOHN WICKER:** WE HAVE COST ESTIMATING SERVICES, ENVIRONMENTAL
8 SERVICES, CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES, ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES,
9 PLANNING SERVICES, AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT SERVICES.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** SO, CAN YOU GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE OF AS-NEEDED
12 CONSULTANT SERVICES?

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14 **SPEAKER:** SURE, SUPERVISOR, AND PLENTY. THIS YEAR ALONE, ONE IN
15 YOUR DISTRICT, THE NORWALK GOLF COURSE, WE CAME HERE BEFORE
16 THE BOARD, MAGIC JOHNSON MASTER PLAN AND E.I.R. PUENTE HILLS
17 LANDFILL PROJECT, ALSO, OUR ENTIRE CONSULTANT TEAM IS ON AN
18 AS-NEEDED CONSULTANT. ALSO, THE CONSULTANTS THAT WERE PART OF
19 THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT. SO, WE HAVE PROJECTS THAT RANGE REALLY
20 LARGE MASTER PLANNING PROJECTS, BUT EVEN JUST SIMPLE PROJECTS
21 WHERE WE NEED A CIVIL ENGINEER TO HELP US WITH H.V.A.C.
22 SYSTEMS, WHERE WE NEED TO DO A RETROFIT OF A PLUMBING OR
23 IRRIGATION SYSTEM. MOST OF THE BULK OF OUR WORK FOR AS-NEEDED
24 CONSULTANTS ARE REALLY ABOUT SMALL REPAIR PROJECTS THAT REALLY
25 HELP TO BUILD AND TO MAINTAIN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT, BUT, I MEAN, NORWALK'S NOT
3 A GOOD EXAMPLE. YOU MISSED THAT NUMBER BY QUITE A BIT. AND
4 OBVIOUSLY THIS IS PART OF MY PROBLEM HERE. AND ALSO, THERE'S
5 NO THRESHOLD WHEN THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO COME BACK ON THIS. I
6 MEAN, SO, YOU'RE DOING \$30 MILLION -- NOT, YOU KNOW, BASICALLY
7 UP TO \$30 MILLION ANNUALLY -- ANNUALLY, RIGHT, CORRECT?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** ANNUALLY. SO, WHAT IF WE HAVE A \$25 MILLION
12 PROJECT? DOES IT COME BACK TO THE BOARD, OR YOU JUST --

13

14 **SPEAKER:** IT'S ONLY UP TO \$5 MILLION MAX WITH EACH CONSULTANT.
15 BUT WHAT THE \$30 MILLION WOULD DO, THAT'S THE SPENDING
16 AUTHORITY, BUT THAT'S NOT THE ACTUAL CONTRACT. SO WHAT WOULD
17 HAPPEN IS WHEN WE'D GO TO DO A CAPITAL PROJECT, WE WOULD COME
18 BACK TO THE BOARD TO SET UP THE CAPITAL PROJECT AND THE
19 FUNDING. SO, WE'LL BE BACK BEFORE THE BOARD TO SET UP FUNDING
20 FOR MANY OF THESE PROJECTS.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, BUT WHAT WOULD YOU SPEND IN THE MEANTIME? I
23 MEAN IF YOU COME BACK TO THE BOARD, THEN WHY DO YOU NEED "AS
24 NEEDED?"

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** SO, SUPERVISOR, AND THE REASON WE NEED "AS NEEDED" IS
2 TO BE ABLE TO EXPEDITE PROJECTS THAT ARE REALLY IMPORTANT.
3 SOMETIMES, FOR EXAMPLE, WE MAY HAVE AN EMERGENCY ISSUE WITH
4 ONE OF OUR -- A TREE CUTTING OR WE MAY NEED TO REMOVE
5 SOMETHING WHERE DON'T HAVE THE STAFFING CAPACITY TO DO IT. IF
6 WE GET THE FUNDING FROM THE C.E.O. OR FROM THE BOARD, WE'RE
7 ABLE TO PICK OUR AS-NEEDED CONSULTANTS TO BE ABLE TO HELP US
8 WITH THESE PROJECTS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, IS IT CONSULTANT, OR IS IT ACTUAL WORK? I
11 MEAN, IF YOU'RE TREE TRIMMING --

12

13 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY. I USED AN EXAMPLE, BUT FOR LIKE A TREE
14 TRIMMING, I APOLOGIZE. SOMETIMES WHAT THEY DO IS THEY HELP US
15 WITH THE TREE INVENTORY, THE G.P.S.-ING, SO WE KNOW WE MAY
16 HAVE TO CONTRACT AN ARBORIST BASICALLY THAT TELLS US SOME OF
17 THOSE ANSWERS TO SOME OF THOSE QUESTIONS.

18

19 **JOHN WICKER:** AND, SUPERVISORS, WE WILL DO QUARTERLY REPORTS
20 BACK TO THE BOARD LISTING ALL OF OUR PROJECTS. SO, WE'LL KEEP
21 YOU ABREAST IN THAT SENSE. ALSO, I MEAN, WE CAN DO ANNUAL
22 REPORTS, IF THAT WOULD HELP, ON TOP OF IT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD. OKAY. WE HAVE ACTUALLY SOME
2 SPEAKERS ON THIS: DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS IN LANCASTER AND
3 MICHAEL JENKINS AND HERE LOCALLY, ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC PREVEN,
4 WAYNE.

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6 **EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS:** HELLO, AGAIN, THIS IS EVANGELIST
7 MICHAEL JENKINS, AND I'D LIKE TO GIVE DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS
8 MY TIME. THANK YOU.

9

10 **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, AGAIN, THIS IS DR.
11 DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS. I WANTED TO SPEAK ON THIS ISSUE, BECAUSE
12 IT REALLY DISTURBED ME. I FELT THAT IT WAS VERY BROAD-BASED
13 AND VERY OPEN-ENDED AND BASED ON MY LIFE EXPERIENCES IN TERMS
14 OF WORKING WITH THE PALMDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT, I NOTICED MANY
15 AGREEMENTS WRITTEN IN THIS WAY AND IT ALLOWED FOR THE
16 EXTENSIVE ABUSE OF MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN WHICH I
17 HAVE THE DOCUMENTATION FOR AND WILL BE RELEASING IN MY BOOK
18 "IN ABSENCE OF HONOR." AND NO ONE DID ANYTHING ABOUT IT. IT
19 WAS HANDLED IN SUCH A WAY THAT PEOPLE COULD COME BACK AND BID
20 LOW AND COME BACK IN AND GET CHANGE ORDERS WITH THE SIMPLE
21 REASON THAT THE YOUNG LADY JUST SAID, WE NEEDED TO EXPEDITE
22 IT, WE DIDN'T WANT TO HOLD UP THE PROJECT. THE TERM
23 "MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT" WAS USED. I SAW THE ABUSE OF MILLIONS
24 AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. AND IN YOUR OPENING STATEMENT, YOU
25 TALK ABOUT HOW WE CANNOT SPEAK ABOUT PEOPLE, WE CANNOT SAY



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1 THIS OR THAT. I ACCEPT FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR WHATEVER I SAY
2 IN TERMS OF LIABILITY, SLANDER. COME VISIT ME AT MY HOME. THEY
3 ALL KNOW WHERE I LIVE. BUT MAT HAVENS, NANCY SMITH, THE
4 PALMDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT, FORREST MCELROY, NEPTUNE THOMAS AND
5 DAVIS, O'MELVENY AND MYERS, I SAW THIS TYPE OF AGREEMENT
6 ABUSED, AGAIN, TO THE TUNE OF MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF
7 DOLLARS, BROKER JIM VOST INVOLVED. SO, I ASK YOU TO PLEASE IN
8 SOME WAY SHAPE THIS IN A BETTER, MORE CONCISE WAY THAT IT
9 DOESN'T ALLOW FOR AN INDIVIDUAL TO ABUSE IT. I'M NOT SAYING
10 THAT YOUR STAFF OVERALL WILL ABUSE IT, MA'AM WHO JUST SPOKE,
11 BUT I'M TELLING YOU, I'VE SEEN IT ABUSED, AND IT WILL BE
12 DOCUMENTED, AND ANY TIME MICHAEL ANTONOVICH WISHES TO MEET
13 WITH ME, I OFFERED IT TO HIM, BUT HE WILL NOT LOOK AT THE
14 DOCUMENTATION. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WE HAVE --

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT.
19 THANK YOU. I HAVE SOME SIMILAR CONCERNS, FRANKLY, TO
20 SUPERVISOR KNABE. I FEEL LIKE INCREASING THIS TO \$5 MILLION,
21 IF, AS THIS WOMAN SUGGESTED A MOMENT AGO, THESE ARE SMALL
22 REPAIRS THAT NEED TO BE DONE QUICKLY, THAT IS NOT A SMALL
23 MAINTENANCE REPAIR. AND THIS ITEM HAS BEEN BEFORE THIS BOARD
24 BEFORE IN 2011, AND THEY SIMPLY ADDED A FEW WORDS. WE ADDED
25 "LANDSCAPE, CIVIL AND COST ESTIMATING" TO AN ORDINARY ITEM



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1 WHICH HAD A MILLION-DOLLAR AUTHORIZATION, WHICH SEEMED
2 APPROPRIATE. AND BY THE WAY, THESE PANELS, THE PROBLEM IS,
3 THEY DON'T ALWAYS SPEND ALL THE AUTHORIZATION, AND THEN THAT
4 MONEY JUST KIND OF LULLS AROUND IN PARKS AND REC. AND ONCE
5 AGAIN, THIS GROUP NEEDS, HAS A LOT OF THEIR OWN NEEDS. I DON'T
6 UNDERSTAND WHY WE WOULD GO IN THIS DIRECTION TO INCREASE THAT.
7 AND UP TO \$30 MILLION A YEAR? IT'S A FIVE-YEAR DEAL, THAT'S
8 OVER \$130 MILLION. SO, I DON'T KNOW WHY WE WOULD GIVE ALL THAT
9 AUTHORITY TO THIS GROUP. AND IT'S NOT A JOB-ORDER CONTRACT,
10 SUPERVISOR, IS MY UNDERSTANDING. THIS IS A CONSULTANT
11 AGREEMENT. A CONSULTANT IS A CATCH WORD FOR WATCH OUT.

12

13 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YEAH, WELL, HERE WE GO. HERE, LITTLE PIGGIES,
14 [OINKS], HERE LITTLE PIGGIES, [OINKS.] SO, LET'S SEE HERE, \$5
15 MILLION OF GRAFT FOR \$30 MILLION OF GRAFT. WELL, THE GOOD OLD
16 DAYS ARE ENDING FOR THE KNABE ADMINISTRATION, BECAUSE HE
17 ACTUALLY TAKES THE TIME SOMETIMES TO DO THIS, HIGHLIGHT THE
18 GRAFT. BUT AS WE APPROACH THE END OF THE CITY HAVING ANY KIND
19 OF BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS, AS WE END THE KNABE AND THE
20 ANTONOVICH REIGN, THIS WILL BE THE LAST TIME YOU WILL EVER SEE
21 THIS HERE IN THIS ROOM AGAIN, I PREDICT. IT'S GOOD. HE CAUGHT
22 IT. THROW IT OUT. AND DO IT -- DON'T DO IT FOR ME. DO IT FOR
23 DON. GIVE THIS TO HIM. LET HIM TAKE THIS HOME AND SAY, "I
24 CAUGHT IT. GIVE IT TO ME AS A VICTORY."

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM --

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, JUST A COUPLE FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS.
4 AND BY THE WAY, YOU KNOW, WHATEVER COMMENTS HE MADE HAD
5 NOTHING TO DO WITH GRAFT OR FRAUD OR ANYTHING ELSE LIKE THAT.
6 IT'S JUST THE FACT IS THIS IS ONE OF THE LARGEST CONSULTANT
7 CONTRACTS, THAT WE DON'T EVEN DO THIS AT THE M.T.A. THIS BIG.
8 YES. SO HOW ARE CHANGE ORDERS HANDLED, JOHN?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, WHAT WE DO IS WE USE D.P.W.'S FEE
11 STRUCTURES FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING. SO, WE HAVE
12 PROJECT MANAGERS THAT ARE ASSIGNED. WHENEVER THERE IS --

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** WE USE THEIR FEE STRUCTURE FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND
17 ENGINEERING. SO, WHENEVER THERE IS A CHANGE ORDER, WE HAVE A
18 PROCESS WHERE A STAFF HAS TO REVIEW IT AND IT HAS TO BE
19 OUTSIDE OF THE SCOPE THAT WAS SUBMITTED. AND WE GO THROUGH A
20 VERY INTENSIVE VETTING PROCESS TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT. AND WE
21 WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH BOARD OFFICES, BECAUSE MOST OF THE
22 FUNDING THAT -- WELL, ALL THE FUNDING FOR OUR PROJECTS COME
23 FROM THE BOARD. AND SO, WE WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH OUR
24 CONSULTANTS, OUR PROJECT MANAGERS, AS WELL AS THE BOARD ON
25 THESE PROJECTS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** SO, IF YOU'RE USING PUBLIC WORKS JOB RATES AND
3 THINGS LIKE THAT, I MEAN, SO, WHY DO YOU NEED \$5 MILLION WORTH
4 OF CONSULTANTS THEN?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** WELL UP TO \$5 MILLION. WHAT WE'VE HAD TO DO
7 SUPERVISOR --

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** IN SIX DIFFERENT CATEGORIES.

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11 **SPEAKER:** IN SIX DIFFERENT CATEGORIES. IN THE LAST COUPLE OF
12 YEARS, WHAT HAD SOME LARGE PROJECTS, AND I'LL GIVE YOU A GOOD
13 EXAMPLE, THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL MASTER PLANNING E.I.R.
14 THAT'S OVER A MILLION DOLLARS. PREVIOUSLY ONLY ONE OUT OF THAT
15 ONE CONSULTANT --

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, BUT WE KNEW THAT WAS COMING FOR 10 YEARS.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** WELL, AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHY WE UPPED THE AMOUNT THIS
20 TIME, SUPERVISOR, IN ANTICIPATION OF WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN,
21 AN ANTICIPATION OF A POSSIBLE MEASURE, AN ANTICIPATION ALSO OF
22 OUR -- OF A LOT OF THE WORK THAT WE NEED. WE HAVE ABOUT A \$600
23 MILLION REPAIR UNFUNDED LIST. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
24 WHENEVER THERE'S FUNDING AVAILABLE, THAT WE'RE ABLE TO USE OUR
25 CONSULTANTS TO BASICALLY ADDRESS OUR PROJECTS. SO, WHAT WE DID



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1 INTERNALLY, WE WENT THROUGH AN EXTENSIVE PROCESS OF LOOKING AT
2 OUR 177 FACILITIES, OUR NEEDS, AS WELL, AND THEN SOME OF THE
3 LIMITATIONS WITH THE LAST CONSULTANT PROCESS, WHICH LIMITED US
4 FROM BEING ABLE TO DO MANY OF THE PROJECTS THAT SAME YEAR,
5 BECAUSE WE WERE CAPPED AT \$1 MILLION.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** WHY COULDN'T YOU -- IF YOU HAD THE MONEY
8 AVAILABLE, WHY COULDN'T YOU DO THE PROJECTS?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** MANY TIMES WE COULDN'T, SUPERVISOR, AND I'LL GIVE YOU
11 AN EXAMPLE. WE HAD 6 CONSULTANTS CAPPED AT \$1 MILLION A YEAR.
12 ONE PROJECT ALONE SOMETIMES EXCEEDED THAT \$1 MILLION. SO, THAT
13 CONSULTANT, WE'RE NO LONGER ABLE TO USE THAT CONSULTANT FOR A
14 PROJECT. WE HAD A COUPLE OF THOSE PROJECTS IN THE LAST COUPLE
15 OF YEARS: THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT, MAGIC JOHNSON PARK, PUENTE
16 HILLS LANDFILL. AND SO, MANY OF OUR CONSULTANTS MET THE
17 AUTHORITY. AS YOU RECALL, ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO, WE HAD TO COME
18 BACK TO THE BOARD AND ASK FOR AN INCREASED DELEGATION OF \$2
19 MILLION A YEAR. SO, WHAT WE DID IS WE REALLY LOOKED AT OUR
20 WORK PROGRAM, WHAT IS NEEDED IN REGARDS TO OUR INFRASTRUCTURE
21 NEED FOR OUR PARKS, AND WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE NOT
22 IN THE SAME POSITION TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF PROJECTS THAT WE
23 CAN DO, EVEN THOUGH THE MONEY WAS THERE, BUT WE WERE LIMITED
24 WITH OUR AUTHORITY.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SO, WHY DIDN'T YOU COME BACK AND JUST ASK FOR \$2
2 MILLION INSTEAD OF A FIVEFOLD INCREASE?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, WHAT WE ALSO DID IS WE ADDED
5 SERVICES THAT WERE ALSO VERY IMPORTANT, FOR EXAMPLE, COST
6 ESTIMATION, THIS WAS SOMETHING THAT WE WORKED VERY CLOSELY
7 WITH ALL THE BOARD OFFICES. ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HAVE A PROJECT
8 IN MIND, YOU WANT TO GET IT FUNDED, SOMETIMES WE DON'T HAVE
9 THE STAFFING CAPACITY TO BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU THOSE NUMBERS.
10 SO, WE ADDED SERVICES, TOO, THAT WERE NOT PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED
11 IN OUR LAST DELEGATED AUTHORITY. SO, WE DID CAP IT AT 5
12 MILLION, BUT BECAUSE WE HAVE MORE CONSULTANTS WITH MORE
13 SPECIALIZATION, WE INCREASED -- WE'RE ASKING FOR AN INCREASE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, LIKE MANY OF THE PROJECTS IN MY PARKS
16 AND THINGS LIKE THAT, YOU USE EITHER THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
17 WORKS OR COMMUNITY SENIOR SERVICES. I MEAN, THEY DID YOUR
18 ESTIMATING. I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW THEY FIT INTO
19 ALL THIS, BECAUSE I JUST DON'T THINK THAT WE SHOULD AUTHORIZE
20 UP TO \$5 MILLION FOR SIX CONTRACTORS FOR FIVE YEARS. AND I'M
21 JUST SAYING I UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS PIECE OF IT, BUT I JUST
22 DON'T UNDERSTAND THE FIVE-FOLD INCREASE. I CAN'T SUPPORT THIS
23 AS IT'S PRESENTED TODAY. I MEAN, LIKE YOU THREW THEM UP
24 AGAINST THE WALL LAST WEEK. YOU'RE ALL CONCERNED, BECAUSE I
25 CONTINUED THE ITEM FOR SOME LAST- MINUTE DEAL AT HOLLYWOOD



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1 BOWL OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT, SOME ELECTRICAL SITUATION. I
2 DON'T LIKE TO BE PUT IN THAT POSITION.

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4 **JOHN WICKER:** UNDERSTOOD. WE DO PART OF THE PROFESSIONAL
5 SERVICES THAT ARE COVERED HERE. LIKE AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, IT
6 WAS ACTUALLY FOR SOUND MONITORING THAT'S PERFORMED AT THE
7 HOLLYWOOD BOWL. SO, I MEAN, IT'S NOT ALL ARCHITECTURAL OR COST
8 ESTIMATING OR CAPPED-PROJECT-RELATED --

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S MY POINT, EXACTLY MY POINT, AND THERE'S
11 REALLY NO REVIEW PROCESS GOING INTO A \$150-MILLION DEAL.

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13 **SPEAKER:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, IT'S \$30 MILLION TOTAL FOR ALL OF
14 THE CONSULTANTS UP TO \$30 MILLION. AND EACH CONSULTANT FIRM IS
15 CAPPED UP TO \$5 MILLION. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR
16 DEPARTMENT DOESN'T HAVE THE FUNDING AVAILABLE TO HIRE ANY OF
17 THESE CONSULTANTS. SO, WHEN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHO
18 DIRECT US TO WORK ON A PROJECT -- AND I'LL GIVE YOU A GOOD
19 EXAMPLE, LIKE NORWALK GOLF COURSE, WE WERE MOVING REALLY
20 QUICKLY --

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** NOT A GOOD ONE.

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24 **SPEAKER:** HUH? BUT WE --

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** NOT A GOOD EXAMPLE.

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3 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, LET ME -- WELL, WE HAVE --

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU MIGHT WANT TO PICK ANOTHER ONE, OKAY?

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7 **SPEAKER:** THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL, ANOTHER ONE. WE KNEW THAT
8 THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL CLOSED IN 2013. WE WANTED TO START A
9 PLANNING PROCESS. SO, WHAT WE DID IS THE FUNDING WAS ALLOCATED
10 BY THE SANITATION DISTRICT, WHICH WE CAME TO THE BOARD, YOU
11 APPROVED THE FUNDING, BUT WE WERE ABLE TO USE AN AS-NEEDED
12 CONSULTANT TO DO THAT PROJECT. SO, WHAT IT AVOIDS IS GOING
13 MULTIPLE R.F.P. PROCESSES. AND WE'RE ABLE TO SELECT
14 CONSULTANTS WHEN THE FUNDING IS ALLOCATED TO OUR DEPARTMENT.
15 AND, SUPERVISOR, AS WELL AS THE OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL, WE HAVE A
16 LOT OF PROJECTS WHERE WE HAVE TO DO SOUND MONITORING, WHERE WE
17 HAVE TO DO ENVIRONMENTAL, BASED ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL
18 CONDITIONS THAT WE HAVE TO USE OUR CONSULTANTS, SOUND
19 MONITORING, ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING IN MANY OF OUR PROJECTS,
20 AS WELL. AND WE USE THESE CONSULTANTS FOR THOSE PROJECTS.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. ENOUGH QUESTIONS. JUST RECORD ME AS A
23 NO VOTE.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY
2 KUEHL, SECONDED BY SOLIS. NO OBJECTION FROM SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
3 THOMAS ON THIS ITEM? ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM CARRIES WITH ONE NO
4 VOTE. THANK YOU. MEMBERS, I HAVE ITEM 40-B. AND THIS IS JUST
5 AN UPDATE -- WELL, ACTUALLY IT'S A REQUEST. I WANT TO MODIFY
6 MY EMERGENCY DECLARATION MOTION. IF YOU RECALL, THE CITY OF
7 MAYWOOD EXPERIENCED A SEVERE FIRE THERE WITH THE EXPLOSION AND
8 A FIRE OF A MAJOR FACTORY THAT DISPLACED ABOUT 200 PEOPLE. I'M
9 VERY THANKFUL THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
10 HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES, FIRE, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
11 AND L.A.H.S.A. HAVE BEEN VERY HELPFUL IN GETTING PEOPLE BACK,
12 BUT WE STILL HAVE MORE TO DO ON THIS ISSUE. AND I AM
13 REQUESTING THAT THE -- I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
14 DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY AVAILABLE FUNDING
15 TO PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT UP TO \$125,000..

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND THAT.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ..TO VARIOUS AGENCIES FOR FOOD,
20 SHELTER AND OTHER ASSISTANCE AS NECESSARY.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** SECOND.

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WE DO HAVE PUBLIC
25 COMMENT. WAYNE?



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2 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES, WE HAVE -- OH, WE'RE GIVING AWAY A LOT OF
3 MONEY TODAY. SO, THAT'S GOOD. THAT'S VERY GOOD.
4 CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF TODAY'S COUNTY LOTTERY.
5 APPRECIATE THAT. SO, WHAT'S THIS HERE? 75. THAT'S ONLY, WHAT?
6 \$75,000, THAT'S A DROP IN THE BUCKET FOR MAYWOOD FIRE. SO, YOU
7 KNOW, MAYWOOD HAD SOME LITTLE PROBLEMS. THEY WERE BASICALLY
8 BANKRUPTED AND THEN TAKEN OVER BY THE NEIGHBORING CITY OF
9 BELL. YOU REMEMBER ALL THAT. NOBODY DID ANY REAL JAIL TIME.
10 STOLE \$200 MILLION. NO BIG DEAL. SO, YOU HAVE TO GIVE THEM
11 \$75,000 SO THEY CAN DO SOME EMERGENCY SERVICES. THEY NEED THE
12 MONEY. THEY'RE BANKRUPT. SO, YOU GOT TO GIVE THEM MONEY,
13 BECAUSE THEY BANKRUPTED THE CITY AND THE PEOPLE ARE SITTING
14 THERE, MOSTLY LATINO, MOSTLY POOR, GOING, QUE, QUE OCCURIO,
15 QUE OCCURIO CON MI DINERO? THAT'S WHAT THEY ALWAYS SAY.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HERMAN HERMAN.

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19 **HERMAN HERMAN:** WE SHOULD ALL FEEL LIKE GOATS, BECAUSE THEY
20 TEND TO EAT AT EVERYTHING AND JUST CHOMP, CHOMP, CHOMP, JUST
21 BROUGHT OUT ABOUT FOOD, SHELTER AND ASSISTANCE AS NECESSARY.
22 YOU HEARD MR. SPINDLER. SMALL AMOUNT OF \$75,000 FOR FUNDING
23 FOR AN AREA THAT'S BEEN, WHAT? RAVAGED, RAPED? YEAH. THEY'RE
24 JUST HISPANICS, MINORITIES IN A COMMUNITY THAT GOT DESTROYED
25 BY CORRUPTION, SCANDAL, EMBEZZLEMENT, WASTE AND ABUSE? BUT WE



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1 COULD STILL GIVE THEM JUST \$75,000. WHAT ABOUT THE COMMUNITIES
2 THAT NEED THIS MONEY? WHAT ABOUT THE TAXPAYERS, THOSE WHO HAVE
3 INTEREST IN THE COMMUNITY? PLEASE, MS. HILDA SOLIS, LET US NOT
4 CREATE ANOTHER POVERTY PIMP SYSTEM HERE. I MENTION THAT, BUT
5 MR. MARK LENO FROM SAN FRANCISCO. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS MOVED AND SECONDED BY
8 KNABE. HEARING NO OBJECTION, LET'S ALL BE RECORDED AS A YES.
9 RIDLEY-THOMAS JUST MENTIONED AT. OKAY, WE ALSO HAVE -- BACK TO
10 ITEM NO. 4, WE HAVE ONE SPEAKER, AND THIS IS AN ITEM THAT
11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAD BEFORE US, DAYLIGHT SAVINGS. WAYNE?

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13 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** ALL RIGHT. YES, THE REASON I CAME HERE. YES.
14 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME. BUT ARIZONA DOES A YEAR-ROUND SAVINGS
15 TIME, AND IF ANY OF YOU DRIVE TO ARIZONA, TAKE THE TIME TO
16 DRIVE TO ARIZONE, YOU WON'T FIND ANY YOU'LL FIND A LOT LESS
17 GAS PRICES. AND THEY KICKED THE YEAR-ROUND -- THEY DON'T SET
18 THEIR CLOCKS BACK. IT'S JUST YEAR-'ROUND DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
19 TIME. SO, THEY KEEP THEIR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR AND DON'T ROLL
20 THEM BACK. IT WORKS GOOD. IT'S A GOOD THING, AND I THINK WE
21 SHOULD SWITCH TO THAT. SO, IF THAT'S WHAT THE ISSUE IS, SWITCH
22 IT TO THE ARIZONA STANDARD AND KEEP IT YEAR 'ROUND. IT SAVES
23 ELECTRICITY. IT SAVES ALL THAT STUPID TIME ROLLING CLOCKS BACK
24 AND FORTH. I LIKE IT. YEAR-'ROUND DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME. GOOD,
25 ABOUT TIME.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, ON THIS ITEM,
5 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTED TO BE RECORDED AS
6 ABSTAINED, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTED TO BE RECORDED AS A NO,
7 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTED TO BE RECORDED AS A NO, AND
8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTED TO BE RECORDED AS A NO. THIS MOTION
9 FAILS.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOTION FAILS. OKAY. MEMBERS, WE'RE
12 NOW GOING TO TURN TO SPECIAL ITEMS AND ADJOURNMENTS STARTING
13 WITH SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, BUT SEEING HE'S NOT RIGHT HERE
14 NOW, LET'S GO WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I'LL START WITH
17 ADJOURNMENTS, AND THEN I HAVE A MOTION TO READ IN FOR NEXT
18 WEEK. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
19 OF JONA GOLDRICH, A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER AND PHILANTHROPIST
20 WHO DIED ON JUNE 26TH. HIS COMPANY, GOLDRICH AND KEST, WAS
21 FOUNDED WITH FELLOW HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR SOL KEST AND DEVELOPED
22 MULTIPLE RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL COMPLEXES ACROSS L.A.
23 COUNTY. GOLDRICH WAS A MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA HOUSING
24 COUNCIL, THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES ASSOCIATION, AND
25 THE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL OF THE BUILDING INDUSTRY



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1 ASSOCIATION AND SERVED AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WESTERN REGION
2 OF THE AMERICAN FRIENDS OF TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY. IN ADDITION,
3 HE SUPPORTED THE LOS ANGELES MUSEUM OF THE HOLOCAUST AND WAS A
4 MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY OF FELLOWS OF AMERICAN JEWISH
5 UNIVERSITY. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 56 YEARS, DORETTA,
6 HIS BROTHER AVRAHAM, AND HIS DAUGHTERS MELINDA GOLDRICH AND
7 ANDREA GOLDRICH CAYTON. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
8 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SIMON RAMO, WHO DIED ON JUNE 27TH. HE
9 COFOUNDED THE AEROSPACE GIANT T.R.W., INC. HE WAS THE CHIEF
10 ARCHITECT OF THE U.S. INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE
11 SYSTEM, HELPING SHAPE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INTO THE NATION'S
12 CENTER FOR HIGH-TECH WEAPONS RESEARCH. ALTHOUGH HE OFFICIALLY
13 RETIRED FROM THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY IN 1978, HE BROKERED THE
14 MERGER OF NORTHROP GRUMMAN AND T.R.W. IN 2002 AND REMAINED AN
15 ACTIVE CONSULTANT TO AEROSPACE EXECUTIVES AND AN ADVISER TO
16 PRESIDENTS, CABINET MEMBERS, AND CONGRESS. AT THE AGE OF 100,
17 HE RECEIVED PATENT NO. 8606170 B2 FOR A COMPUTER-BASED
18 LEARNING INVENTION, BECOMING THE OLDEST PERSON AT THE TIME TO
19 RECEIVE A PATENT. HE'S SURVIVED BY TWO CHILDREN, JIM AND ALAN.
20 AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
21 DARCIE DENKERT, WHO DIED ON JUNE 9TH, WHO BEGAN HER
22 PROFESSIONAL CAREER AS A BROADWAY THEATER LAWYER IN NEW YORK
23 BUT SPENT MOST OF HER CAREER AT UNITED ARTISTS AND ITS
24 SUCCESSOR COMPANY M.G.M. SHE WAS THE FIRST FEMALE LAWYER AT
25 UNITED ARTISTS WHEN SHE JOINED THE COMPANY IN 1976 AND WENT ON



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1 TO HOLD VARIOUS SENIOR BUSINESS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS POSITIONS
2 THERE AND AT M.G.M. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, SHELBY
3 NOTKIN, HER MOTHER RENEE, STEPDAUGHTER MICHELLE, AND FOUR-STEP
4 CHILDREN FROM HER FIRST MARRIAGE TO ALLEN SUSMAN. AND I MOVE
5 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL
6 CIMINO, ACADEMY-AWARD-WINNING FILMMAKER WHO DIED ON JULY 2ND.
7 A FORMER PAINTER, ART STUDENT, AND COMMERCIAL DIRECTOR, CLINT
8 EASTWOOD GAVE CIMINO HIS BIG BREAK WHEN HE AGREED TO STAR IN
9 CIMINO'S DIRECTING DEBUT, "THUNDERBOLT AND LIGHTFOOT."
10 CIMINO'S SECOND FILM WAS THE 1978 VIETNAM WAR MASTERPIECE "THE
11 DEER HUNTER," WHICH WON FIVE ACADEMY AWARDS, INCLUDING BEST
12 PICTURE AND DIRECTOR. HE WENT ON TO DIRECT SEVERAL MORE FILMS,
13 INCLUDING THE CONTROVERSIAL, "HEAVEN'S GATE." HE ALSO WROTE A
14 NOVEL, "BIG JANE," IN 2001. AND, MADAME CHAIR, I MOVE THAT
15 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TRAVIS EMERY,
16 WHO DIED ON MAY 31ST, A BLACK, GAY ARCHITECT AND LAWYER WHO
17 SPENT HIS LIFE IN SERVICE TO OTHERS. HE WAS PROUD OF HAVING
18 GRADUATED FROM BOALT LAW SCHOOL AT BERKELEY AND FROM
19 PRINCETON, WHERE HE SANG IN THE NASSOONS, ONE OF THE WORLD'S
20 FINEST COLLEGIATE PERFORMER ENSEMBLES. HE SERVED FOR MANY
21 YEARS ON THE BOARD OF THE L.A. L.G.B.T. CENTER, WHERE HE
22 HELPED OVERSEE, PRO BONO, THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
23 ORGANIZATION'S HEADQUARTERS IN HOLLYWOOD IN THE EARLY 1990S.
24 HE WORKED IN H.I.V./A.I.D.S. HOUSING FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS
25 KNOWN FOR ALWAYS HELPING OTHERS. EACH YEAR, HE LOVED GIVING



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1 AWAY 100 FREE TICKETS HE RECEIVED FROM SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
2 THOMAS SO THAT CHILDREN FROM THE COACHELLA VALLEY HOUSING
3 AUTHORITY COULD ATTEND THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. HE LEAVES BEHIND
4 HIS HUSBAND OF MANY YEARS, ROB BARRY, AND HIS LOVING MOTHER
5 ANNE OSBORNE EMERY. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
6 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JIM HOOKER, WHO DIED ON JUNE 22ND. JIM
7 LIVED A LIFE OF HUMBLE SERVICE TO INDIVIDUALS IN HIS LIFE, TO
8 HIS L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY, AND FOR THE GREATER GOOD. AS A
9 VOLUNTEER AND A PHILANTHROPIST, HE SUPPORTED THE LOS ANGELES
10 L.G.B.T. CENTER, ONE ARCHIVES, THE WEST HOLLYWOOD LIBRARY, THE
11 WEST HOLLYWOOD RECOVERY CENTER, AND VAN NESS RECOVERY HOUSE.
12 HE WAS A GENEROUS SUPPORTER OF THE WILLIAMS INSTITUTE AT
13 U.C.L.A. SCHOOL OF LAW AS HE BECAME MORE INTERESTED IN
14 SYSTEMIC POLICY CHANGE AND WAS HONORED WITH THE INSTITUTE'S
15 EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE AWARD. HE ENDOWED A FELLOWSHIP TO
16 SUPPORT NEW LAW PROFESSORS WORKING ON L.G.B.T. RIGHTS. HE IS
17 SURVIVED BY HIS SISTERS, FAYE JEAN AND JANE, HIS NEPHEW
18 ANDREW, HIS NIECE JILL, AND HIS AUNT JEANNE PETERSON EDMUND.
19 IF I MAY, MADAME CHAIR, I'D LIKE TO READ IN A MOTION TO BE
20 VOTED ON NEXT WEEK. "SINCE MAY 1ST, EIGHT CASES OF INVASIVE
21 MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE, MENINGITIS, HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED WITHIN
22 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH JURISDICTION. ADDITIONAL
23 CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN SURROUNDING JURISDICTIONS IN THIS
24 SAME TIMEFRAME, LEADING THE STATE TO RECENTLY DECLARE AN
25 OUTBREAK OF I.M.D. IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WHILE A COMMON



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1 SOCIAL LINK AMONG INFECTED INDIVIDUALS HAS NOT BEEN
2 IDENTIFIED, THE INVESTIGATION IS ONGOING. OF PARTICULAR
3 CONCERN IS THE FACT THAT MOST OF THE CASES OCCURRED AMONG GAY
4 AND OTHER MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN. MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE IS
5 CAUSED BY A BACTERIA THAT CAN CAUSE SEVERE INFECTIONS IN THE
6 LINING OF THE BRAIN, SPINAL CORD, AND BLOODSTREAM. IT'S SPREAD
7 THROUGH SALIVA DURING CLOSE CONTACT, SUCH AS KISSING OR
8 COUGHING OR LIVING IN CLOSE QUARTERS. I.M.D. IS NOT SPREAD
9 THROUGH CASUAL CONTACT. ONCE INFECTED, SEVERE ILLNESS CAN
10 DEVELOP RAPIDLY AND IS CONSIDERED A HEALTH EMERGENCY, AS IT IS
11 FATAL IN ABOUT 1 IN 10 PATIENTS. THANKFULLY VACCINES ARE
12 AVAILABLE TO HELP PROTECT AGAINST THE MOST COMMON TYPES OF
13 MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE. AFTER EXPERIENCING SIMILAR CLUSTERS OF
14 I.M.D. IN THE M.S.M. POPULATION IN 2012-2014, THE DEPARTMENT
15 OF PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUED A SPECIALIZED VACCINATION
16 RECOMMENDATION FOR THE LOCAL M.S.M. COMMUNITY. AT THE SAME
17 TIME, THE DEPARTMENT ALSO UNDERTOOK EFFORTS TO DEVELOP KEY
18 PARTNERSHIPS WITH COMMUNITY AGENCIES WHO SERVE AT-RISK
19 POPULATIONS TO EDUCATE AT-RISK POPULATIONS ABOUT THE DISEASE
20 AND PROMOTE VACCINATION IN LIGHT OF THE MOST RECENT CASES
21 AMONG GAY AND M.S.M. INDIVIDUALS, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
22 HEALTH HAS REITERATED ITS RECOMMENDATION FOR MENINGOCOCCAL
23 VACCINATIONS AMONG ALL H.I.V.- POSITIVE PEOPLE AND HIGH-RISK
24 M.S.M. THE RECENT OUTBREAK OF I.M.D. COMPELS THE COUNTY TO DO
25 MORE TO PROTECT THE RESIDENTS AND INCREASE AWARENESS AND



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1 VACCINATION RATES AMONGST THE COMMUNITIES AND INDIVIDUALS AT
2 RISK. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REQUEST
3 THAT THE DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH AGENCY, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR
4 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND THE INTERIM HEALTH
5 OFFICER REPORT BACK IN 45 DAYS IN WRITING ON RECOMMENDATIONS
6 TO INCREASE VACCINATION RATES IN THE AT-RISK GROUPS. THIS
7 REPORT BACK SHALL INCLUDE A COMMUNICATION PLAN DETAILING HOW
8 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL INCREASE AWARENESS OF
9 I.M.D. THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA, COMMUNITY PARTNERS, PHYSICIANS,
10 AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND COOPERATING AGENCIES, A PLAN FOR A
11 VACCINATION CAMPAIGN, WHICH MAY INCLUDE A PLAN FOR ENSURING
12 ACCESS TO VACCINES FOR UNDER- AND UNINSURED ADULTS, A PLAN FOR
13 EXPANDING PARTNERSHIPS WITH AGENCIES WHO SERVE THE M.S.M.
14 COMMUNITY, OPTIONS FOR ENGAGING PHARMACIES IN PROMOTING AND
15 PROVIDING MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINATION, A PLAN FOR ENGAGING AND
16 PARTNERING WITH LARGE PROVIDER GROUPS TO ENSURE ACCESS TO
17 VACCINATION FOR PROVIDER MEMBERS, AND OPTIONS TO ENSURE
18 ONGOING ACCESS TO MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
19 PUBLIC HEALTH AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES' CLINICS.'
20 THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I
25 HAVE SEVERAL AND I HAVE SOME FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. BUT



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1 FIRST OF ALL, BOTH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND I WOULD LIKE TO
2 BE ON MR. RAMOS' ADJOURNMENT, AS WELL, TOO. I HAD THE DISTINCT
3 PLEASURE OF EMCEEING A PROGRAM WHERE HE WAS BIG ON AIR ABOUT A
4 YEAR OR SO AGO AND AN INCREDIBLE MAN OF HIS AGE. HE WAS A
5 GREAT GUY. ANYWAY, TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY, ASK YOU TO
6 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD "DICK" STANLEY KARNETTE, A
7 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 26TH
8 AT THE AGE OF 90. HE'LL BE TRULY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND
9 FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BETTY, WHO WE ALL NOW,
10 WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE AND CALIFORNIA
11 STATE ASSEMBLY, DAUGHTER MARY, AND SISTER-IN-LAWS BARBARA AND
12 MARIE AND BROTHER-IN-LAW HAROLD. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN
13 MEMORY OF TOM KELLY, THE BROADCAST VOICE OF U.S.C. FOOTBALL
14 AND MEN'S BASKETBALL FOR FIVE DECADES, WHO PASSED AWAY
15 RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 88. HE'S A MEMBER OF THE BROADCASTERS'
16 HALL OF FAME, FOUR GOLDEN MIKES, TWO A.P. AND U.P.I.
17 CALIFORNIA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR, INDUCTED INTO THE GOLDEN
18 STATE BOXERS' HALL OF FAME IN 2003, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
19 DANUSKA, ALONG WITH FOUR CHILDREN, KATHLEEN, COLLEEN, KEVIN,
20 AND CHRISTOPHER, A STEPSON PATRICK, AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN. AND
21 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD SOLIS, A RETIRED
22 PLANNING ANALYST WITH THE PLANNING DIVISION OF OUR COUNTY FIRE
23 DEPARTMENT, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 67 AFTER
24 A SHORT-TERM ILLNESS ON JUNE 27TH. HE RETIRED IN 2008 WITH 41
25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COUNTY, INCLUDING 35 YEARS OF



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1 DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND
2 OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES TO HIS WIFE, CELIA AND ALL OF HIS
3 FRIENDS AND FAMILY. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM.
4 THEN, I MENTIONED SIMON WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ASK THAT
5 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THOMAS WATHEN, ACCOMPLISHED AVIATOR,
6 AIR FORCE OFFICER. HE WAS A SECURITY INVESTIGATOR AT WRIGHT-
7 PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE. HE OWNED CALIFORNIA PLANT
8 PROTECTION, AN INDUSTRIAL SECURITY COMPANY. HE IS SURVIVED BY
9 HIS WIFE, TWO SISTERS, AND FOUR STEPSONS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN
10 IN MEMORY OF LLOYD SREDEN, A RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
11 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 55. HE WORKED IN THE
12 ACCOUNTING OFFICE OF STERN, KORY, SREDEN & MORGAN FOR OVER 33
13 YEARS, VERY ACTIVE IN THE ROTARY CLUB, WILLIAM S. HART
14 BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL LEAGUES, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, THEIR
15 THREE CHILDREN, AS WELL AS HIS PARENTS AND FOUR SIBLINGS. ALSO
16 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH FRANK JARES, SPORTSWRITER
17 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78 ON JULY 3RD. HE WORKED AS A
18 WRITER AND ASSOCIATE EDITOR FOR "SPORTS ILLUSTRATED" FOR OVER
19 15 YEARS IN NEW YORK AND LOS ANGELES COVERING MANY SPORTS. HE
20 ALSO WORKED FOR "THE LOS ANGELES HERALD EXPRESS," U.P.I., "THE
21 LOS ANGELES TIMES", "DAILY NEWS," AND TAUGHT SPORTS REPORTING
22 AT U.S.C. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BROTHER, AND TWO DAUGHTERS.
23 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LARRY HUGHES, A LONGTIME
24 RESIDENT OF PASADENA WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF
25 81. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY INTELLIGENCE UNIT



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1 DURING THE KOREAN WAR. HE WAS KNOWN AS THE GODFATHER OF THE
2 PASADENA ANTIQUES COMMUNITY. HE OWNED RIFF RAFF, HOLLY STREET
3 BAZAAR, AND HUGHES ESTATE SALES. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND TWO
4 SONS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF STUART NISBET,
5 PROLIFIC ACTOR AND CASTING AGENT, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 23RD
6 AT THE AGE OF 84. HE STUDIED THEATRICAL ARTS AT LOS ANGELES
7 CITY COLLEGE AND CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES. HE
8 WAS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS RECURRING TELEVISION ROLES IN "THE
9 VIRGINIAN," "BONANZA," "DENNIS THE MENACE," "LITTLE HOUSE ON
10 THE PRAIRIE," "L.A. LAW," "THE DUKES OF HAZZARD," AND "THE
11 GOLDEN GIRLS." HE WAS THE COFOUNDER OF BAKER-NISBET CASTING
12 AGENCY, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, NANCY, HIS CHILDREN BILL, LINDA
13 AND SCOTT. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS AND SUPERVISOR
14 ANTONOVICH'S ADJOURNMENTS.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS?

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I'D ASK THAT YOU
20 JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF PAULA NOWELL, BORN ON
21 OCTOBER 5TH, 1947 IN LOS ANGELES AND THEN SHE PASSED IN
22 SEATTLE ON JUNE 27TH OF THIS YEAR AT THE AGE OF 68. SHE WAS A
23 GRADUATE OF COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL, COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
24 AND CAL STATE DOMINGUEZ HILLS. SHE WORKED AT THE U.S. POST
25 OFFICE FOR MORE THAN 35 YEARS AND WAS ONE OF THE FIRST



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1 AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMEN TO WORK AT THE HAWTHORNE POST OFFICE.
2 AFTER RETIREMENT, SHE RELOCATED TO SEATTLE, WORKED AS A
3 SUBSTITUTE TEACHER, AND VOLUNTEERED WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS
4 TO PROMOTE CANCER AWARENESS AND RESEARCH. SHE WILL BE
5 REMEMBERED AS A DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANT, EDUCATOR AND ARTIST
6 AS WELL AS FOR HER BEAUTIFUL WORKS OF ART AND POTTERY, WHICH
7 HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL CHERISH IN HER MEMORY: SHE IS
8 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER PAULA, GRANDDAUGHTER LEANE AND
9 JORDAN, SISTERS CAROLYN AND NANCY AND COUSINS HERB AND
10 VICTORIA AND A HOST OF FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL
11 MISS HER DEARLY. AND I'D ASK YOU TO JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN
12 MEMORY OF BILL JONES, BORN OCTOBER 4, 1934 IN MANSFIELD, OHIO,
13 AND PASSED ON JUNE 25 OF THIS YEAR AT THE AGE OF 81. HE WAS A
14 SERGEANT IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE FOR 22 YEARS PRIOR TO
15 RELOCATING TO LOS ANGELES. THAT WAS IN 1972 WITH HIS WIFE,
16 REVA. HE GRADUATED WITH A DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY FROM CAL STATE
17 L.A. AND WORKED AS AN ACCOUNTANT AT -- WHILE TAKING PICTURES
18 AT MOVIE PREMIERS, AWARDS, AND GALAS PART-TIME. HE TURNED HIS
19 PASSION FOR PHOTOGRAPHY INTO A DECADES-LONG CAREER AND BECAME
20 A PROMINENT PHOTOGRAPHER WHO CHRONICLED THE RISE OF THE
21 AFRICAN-AMERICAN CELEBRITY IN HOLLYWOOD. HE STUDIED AT THE
22 LONDON SCHOOL OF PHOTOGRAPHY AND WAS THE ONLY AFRICAN-AMERICAN
23 PHOTOGRAPHER AT THAT TIME. SOME OF THE MORE PROMINENT LEADERS
24 HE PHOTOGRAPHED INCLUDED THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING,
25 JR., NELSON MANDELA, AND MUHAMMAD ALI. IN 2002, MR. JONES



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1 CAPTURED THE OSCARS WINNERS, INCLUDING HALLE BERRY AND DENZELL
2 WASHINGTON AND MANY MORE. HIS WORK APPEARED IN SEVERAL
3 MAGAZINES, INCLUDING "EBONY," "JET," AND "THE LOS ANGELES
4 WATTS TIMES," "THE WAVE," AND "L.A. FOCUS." HE IS THE AUTHOR
5 OF "HOLLYWOOD IN BLACK: 40 YEARS OF PHOTOGRAPHY BY BILL
6 JONES." HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A DEDICATED PHOTOGRAPHER AND
7 AUTHOR WHO STRUGGLES AS AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN MAN DID NOT STOP
8 HIM FROM HIS PASSION AND ADVOCACY FOR REPRESENTING AFRICAN-
9 AMERICAN CELEBRITIES AND PROMINENT LEADERS IN HISTORY. HE IS
10 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, REVA, FOUR CHILDREN, BILL, JR.,
11 MICHELLE, NATALIE, AND NINA, MANY FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND
12 COLLEAGUES, WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. MY FINAL RESOLUTION,
13 MADAME CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, IS LEE WESLEY GIBSON. MR. GIBSON
14 WAS BORN ON MAY THE 21ST, 1910 IN LOUISIANA AND PASSED AWAY ON
15 JULY THE 2ND OF THIS YEAR AT THE AGE OF 106. AFTER GRADUATING
16 FROM HIGH SCHOOL, HE WORKED AS A PRESSER AT MOON'S CLEANER AND
17 LATER BOUGHT THE BUSINESS. IN 1927 HE MARRIED BEATRICE WOODS
18 AND HAD FOUR CHILDREN. THEY MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1935,
19 WHERE MR. GIBSON BEGAN HIS 38-YEAR CAREER WITH THE UNION
20 PACIFIC RAILROAD. HE WAS A COACH ATTENDANT AND PROMOTED THE
21 PULLMAN PORTER -- WAS PROMOTED TO PULLMAN PORTER, A UNIFORMED
22 RAILWAY MAN WHO SERVED FIRST-CLASS PASSENGERS TRAVELING IN
23 WHAT WAS THOUGHT TO BE LUXURIOUS SLEEPING CARS. THE JOB
24 INVOLVED LONG HOURS AND CERTAIN INDIGNITIES, INCLUDING THE
25 REQUIREMENT OF RESPONDING TO THE NAME "GEORGE," AFTER THE



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1 FOUNDER OF THE PULLMAN PALACE CAR COMPANY, GEORGE PULLMAN. AND
2 SO THAT IN 1974, MR. GIBSON RETIRED FROM THE RAILROAD AND
3 WORKED AS A VOLUNTEER WHO ASSISTED TRAVELERS AT THE LOS
4 ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. HE WAS THE MANAGER OF THE
5 INCOME TAX PREPARATION OFFICES FOR H.&R. BLOCK AND WAS A
6 DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR A.A.R.P. TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE
7 PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS. HE WAS A DEVOTED MEMBER OF THE 100-YEAR-
8 OLD PEOPLE'S INDEPENDENT CHURCH IN HYDE PARK, AND HE WAS THERE
9 FOR 77 YEARS. HE SERVED AS A TREASURER, DEACON AND ELDER. MR.
10 GIBSON WAS HONORED AND MENTIONED THROUGHOUT THE YEARS FOR HIS
11 REACHING LONGEVITY AND SERVED AS A GRAND MARSHAL FOR THE WATTS
12 CHRISTMAS PARADE IN 2010. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS THREE
13 DAUGHTERS, GWENDOLYN, AGE 84, BARBARA, AGE 82, GLORIA, AGE 71,
14 SIX GRANDCHILDREN, 18 GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN, 22 GREAT-GREAT
15 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 3 GREAT-GREAT- GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, WHO
16 WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. MADAME CHAIR, LEE WESLEY GIBSON, 106
17 YEARS OLD. MAY I ASK THAT YOU JOIN ME IN MEMORY OF MR. WESLEY
18 AND ALL OTHERS WHO YOU DO DECIDE AND SECOND ON TRAVIS EMERY,
19 INTRODUCED AND ADJOURNED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. THANK YOU,
20 MADAME CHAIR.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. VERY GOOD. I DON'T
23 HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS. SO, WE HAVE LASTLY PUBLIC COMMENT. WE
24 HAVE ERIC PREVEN, DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS, MICHAEL JENKINS FROM
25 LANCASTER. THOSE TWO ARE FROM LANCASTER.



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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN HERE. I GUESS IT MUST BE
3 7:20, SO IT'S LATE FOR US. I WAS READING THE DECLARATION OF
4 INDEPENDENCE IN ADVANCE OF THE CITYWATCH THAT I WROTE THAT WAS
5 IN THE JULY 4TH EDITION THAT YOU SHOULD TAKE A LOOK AT,
6 CITYWATCH L.A. AND A SECTION OF THE KING, HE'S TALKING ABOUT
7 THE KING, "HE HAS CALLED TOGETHER LEGISLATIVE BODIES AT PLACES
8 UNUSUAL, UNCOMFORTABLE, AND DISTANT FROM THE DEPOSITORY OF
9 THEIR PUBLIC RECORDS FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF FATIGUING THEM
10 INTO COMPLIANCE WITH HIS MEASURES." MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND THE
11 POINT I'M TRYING TO ILLUSTRATE HERE IS THAT THIS BODY IS FOND
12 OF SAYING WE HAVE LOTS OF MEETINGS, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM
13 EVERYBODY. BUT LAST WEEK ON THE ISSUE THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE
14 APPROPRIATELY BROUGHT UP ABOUT PARKS AND REC GETTING ALL THIS
15 EXTRA AUTHORIZATION, YOU WENT OUT OF YOUR WAY TO SHUT ME DOWN
16 TO AVOID MY COMMENT IN FRONT OF THE BODY, IN FRONT OF THE
17 PEOPLE, AND THAT'S COMPLETELY WRONG. AND MARY WICKHAM, MR.
18 HAFETZ, ENGAGED ME IN A DIALOGUE AND SAID THAT I HAD BEEN
19 INVITED TO SPEAK ON C.S.-1, WHICH I CHECKED THE RECORD, AND I
20 WAS NEVER INVITED TO SPEAK ON C.S.-1, NOR, BY THE WAY, DID I
21 WANT TO SPEAK ON C.S.-1. BUT TO BE MAKING FALSE ASSERTIONS
22 WHILE SHUTTING DOWN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IS A BAD -- NOT
23 BEING FAIR.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME HAS EXPIRED, SIR. DIANA BEARD-
2 WILLIAMS FROM LANCASTER AND MICHAEL JENKINS.

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4 **EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS:** OKAY. THIS IS EVANGELIST MICHAEL
5 JENKINS. I'M HERE. I WANT TO SPEAK REAL FAST ABOUT MAYOR R.
6 REX PARRIS FOR STARTERS. HE DID TRY AND DO SOMETHING FOR THE
7 HOMELESS. HE WENT INTO HIS OWN POCKET. HE GAVE STEVE BAKER,
8 THE HOMELESS SHELTER DIRECTOR, I THINK IT WAS LIKE \$10,000,
9 \$15,000, WHATEVER IT WAS, TO GIVE THEM ALL BAG LUNCHES, THE
10 HOMELESS BAG LUNCHES, SEND THEM BACK DOWN TO L.A., YOU KNOW,
11 YOUR AREA, MARK AND KUEHL AND ALL THE REST OF THEM. THAT'S
12 WHAT REX DID BEHIND BACKROOM DEALS. THE HOMELESS IS STILL OUT
13 HERE. THEY'RE RIGHT OUT HERE IN HERE IN FRONT OF THE LIBRARY.
14 WHEN I GET READY TO LEAVE, I'LL SEE THEM. THE SHELTER HERE
15 STINKS. THE LIBRARY HERE STINKS, BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE WASHING
16 THEIR PRIVATE PARTS IN FRONT OF PEOPLE. I COULD GO ON AND ON,
17 BUT I DON'T HAVE TIME. I'LL COME BACK NEXT WEEK AND GIVE YOU
18 MORE INFORMATION ABOUT IT.

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HAVE A GOOD ONE. OKAY, NEXT?

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22 **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS. I JUST
23 SIMPLY WANT TO SAY, MY MOTHER DIED WHEN SHE WAS 49 YEARS OLD,
24 AND SHE DIED, BUT SHE WAS ABLE TO TAKE FOUR KIDS, GIVE US TWO
25 DOCTORATES, A MASTERS, AND ONE WHO WORKED FOR COVENANT HOUSE.



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1 AND MY MOTHER HAD HER FIRST PAIR OF SHOES WHEN SHE WAS 13. SO,
2 ANYBODY WHO TALKS TO ME ABOUT THEIR CARING AND THEIR AMBITION
3 AND THEIR WANTING TO HELP THE HOMELESS, I HAVE MY MOTHER TO
4 LOOK AT. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT MY MOTHER TAUGHT ME IS TO
5 LOOK PAST THE MASK. FOR 20 YEARS, THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
6 MADE UP OF DIFFERENT INDIVIDUALS, HAVE BEEN AN ABOMINATION TO
7 GOD IN TERMS OF THE THINGS THAT THEY HAVE ALLOWED TO HAPPEN IN
8 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND I ASKED MY FATHER, WHO IS 99, IN
9 POSSESSION OF ALL OF HIS FACULTIES, IF I SHOULD RELEASE A BOOK
10 THAT DETAILS ALL OF THE DIRT IN THIS ANTELOPE VALLEY, AND HE
11 SAID TO ME, "ROCK THE ROOF OFF THE SUCKER. TELL WHAT YOUR
12 MOTHER WOULD EXPECT."

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE HAVE WAYNE SPINDLER, HERMAN
15 HERMAN, AND DONALD KRONOS.

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17 **DONALD KRONOS:** HI. MY NAME IS DONALD KRONOS. THANKS FOR
18 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK AGAIN. I WANTED TO SAY WHAT HAPPENED
19 EARLIER WITH ITEM 11, I DIDN'T GET TO FINISH WHAT I HAD
20 STARTED TO SAY. AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE THEY WENT AHEAD AND
21 PASSED THAT THROUGH, BECAUSE I HEARD DEAN LOGAN, I BELIEVE IT
22 IS, TALKING ABOUT HOW THEY HAD WATCHED THE PROVISIONAL BALLOTS
23 BEING COUNTED AND EVERYTHING. AND, YES, THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO
24 HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW WELL THAT WAS DONE, WHETHER OR NOT IT
25 WAS DONE RIGHT, BUT THE BIG QUESTION ISN'T WHAT HAPPENED AFTER



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1 THE ORIGINAL COUNT BUT WHAT HAPPENED BEFORE THAT TIME, WHAT
2 HAPPENED DURING THE ORIGINAL COUNT. THERE ARE STATES ALL OVER
3 THIS COUNTRY WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN FINDING THAT THE EVIDENCE
4 SAYS THAT THAT PART OF THE VOTING PROCESS, ANYWHERE WHERE IT
5 WAS POSSIBLE FOR CHEATING TO OCCUR, HAS OCCURRED. AND THIS IS
6 WHY WE WANTED IT TO BE HELD OFF ON AND WANTED THE VOTES TO BE
7 CHECKED INTO BEFORE GOING AHEAD AND MAKING IT OFFICIAL, NOT
8 BECAUSE OF THE PROVISIONAL BALLOTS..

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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12 **DONALD KRONOS:** ..BUT BECAUSE OF THE ACTUAL ORIGINAL, THE
13 BALLOTS THAT WERE CAST AT THE POLL BOOTH. SO, I HOPE THAT
14 SOMEBODY CAN TALK TO THEM AND ASK THEM COULD THEY OVERTURN
15 THAT AND GO BACK AND LOOK AT IT AGAIN, BECAUSE AN
16 INVESTIGATION IS NEEDED, PLEASE.

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18 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES. SO, THE LATEST DISGUSTING EXAMPLE: PAULA
19 CRUTCHFIELD VERSUS CITY OF LOS ANGELES, CASE NUMBER BC 625403.
20 CANCER-SURVIVING PATIENT WORKING FOR THE L.A.P.D. AND WHAT DO
21 THEY DO? SOMEBODY MAKES AN ANTI-SEMITIC REMARK OVER THERE AT
22 L.A.P.D., SHE REPORTS IT TO THE CAPTAIN AND GETS HERSELF A
23 PROMOTION AND THEN A FAILED DEMOTION AND THEN THEY FAIL TO
24 GIVE HER A SAFE WORKPLACE FOR AN IMMUNITY PROBLEM. THIS IS
25 WHAT L.A.P.D. DOES ON THE INSIDE, AND IT TAKES SOMEBODY LIKE



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1 THIS WOMAN TO COME FORWARD AND EXPOSE WHAT L.A.P.D. IS DOING
2 UNDERNEATH TO WHISTLEBLOWERS AND PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE GOOD
3 COPS. PAULA CRUTCHFIELD VERSUS CITY OF L.A. SHAME ON YOU,
4 CHIEF CHARLIE BECK.

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6 **HERMAN HERMAN:** ...BARTON VERSUS SACRAMENTO. THESE ARE ALL
7 ISSUES THAT IMPACT OUR LIVES. ADVERSE IMPACT. SO, IF THE
8 HOMELESS SITUATION IS NOT GOING TO END AND NO LONGER BE A PART
9 OF A CRISIS BECAUSE WE'RE ASKING FOR TAXPAYERS TO BAIL OUT THE
10 PROBLEM, LOOK AT YOURSELVES IN THE MIRROR BEFORE POINTING
11 FINGERS AT THE PUBLIC. THIS IS NOT THE PUBLIC'S FAULT. THIS IS
12 A PUBLIC-HEALTH SAFETY CONCERN THAT THE COUNTY HAS NEGLECTED
13 AND ALLOWED THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES THROUGH GENTRIFICATION TO
14 PUSH PEOPLE INTO OUR NOW COMMUNITIES LIKE HACIENDA HEIGHTS,
15 BEVERLY HILLS, PASADENA, SMALL TOWNS, GREAT TOWNS AT ONE
16 POINT, AND NOW WE HAVE SQUANDERERS, AS YOU CALL THEM. NO. IT'S
17 HUMANITY. DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE ALSO HAVE ANNABELLA
20 MARIREBOS, SUZANN O'KEEFFE.

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22 **ANNABELLA MAZARIEGOS:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS
23 ANNABELLA. I'M NOT A NEGATIVE PERSON, BUT I'M A REALISTIC, BY
24 MY OWN EXPERIENCE AS A UNION ACTIVIST. MS. HILDA SOLIS, I KNEW
25 YOU AND THIS BOARD WERE NOT GOING TO DO ANYTHING REGARDING THE



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1 ELECTION FRAUD. WHEN S.E.I.U. 721, WE HAD OUR FIRST ELECTION,
2 YOU WERE THE SECRETARY OF STATE. WE COMPLAINED TO THE
3 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TOOK OUR CASE
4 AND THEY SAID, YES, YOU HAVE A CASE, BUT IT'S NOT UP TO US.
5 IT'S UP TO THERE. WHERE? WASHINGTON. WHO WAS THE SECRETARY OF
6 STATE? IT WAS HILDA SOLIS. AND I TOLD MY COWORKERS, WE'RE NOT
7 GOING TO GET NOTHING DONE, BECAUSE SHE WAS APPOINTED BY OBAMA
8 AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED. THE UNION TOOK THE ELECTION
9 FROM THE WORKERS, FROM THE MEMBERSHIPS. AND NOW WE HAVE A
10 SIMILAR CASE, ELECTION FRAUD, BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO COUNT
11 ALL THE BALLOTS AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. DEAN LOGAN DOES NOT HAVE
12 NO JURISDICTION, BECAUSE YOU OVERSEE THEM AND HE'S APPOINTED.
13 YOU HAVE TO SEND THIS TO THE GRAND JURY FOR AN INVESTIGATION
14 AND TO CORRECT THAT PROBLEM. AND ALSO, REGARDING THE TAXES
15 THAT YOU WANT TO INCREASE, TAX THE MILLIONAIRES. DO NOT TAX
16 THE WORKING CLASS.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, MA'AM?

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20 **SUZANNE O'KEEFRE:** HELLO. I'M SUZANNE O'KEEFFE. WE UNDERSTAND
21 THAT, FROM THE CLERK, THAT YOU, IN FACT, DID APPROVE THE
22 CERTIFICATION OF THE ELECTION. NONE OF US HEARD THIS VOTE. WE
23 ASSUME THAT IT HAPPENED. WE ARE CERTAINLY DISAPPOINTED. WE
24 MUST INSIST THAT WE DO AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO THE
25 CONDUCT OF THIS ELECTION ANYWAY. WITH ALL DUE RESPECT,



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1 REGISTRAR-RECORDER DEAN LOGAN IS NOT THE ONE TO BE LOOKING
2 INTO THE WIDESPREAD SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH VOTER DISCRIMINATION
3 AND VOTER-SUPPRESSION ISSUES THAT HAPPENED IN THIS ELECTION.
4 HE WAS THE ONE IN CHARGE OF THE EXECUTION OF THE ELECTION IN
5 L.A. COUNTY, AND THEREFORE YOU NEED ANOTHER OUTLET. YOU WOULD
6 NOT EXPECT -- SPECIFICALLY, WE DID NOT HEAR HIM ANSWER OUR
7 REQUEST FOR THE M.T.S. SOFTWARE VALIDATION REQUIRED FOR THE
8 CERTIFICATION OF THE TABULATION SYSTEM. IF THIS HAS BEEN DONE,
9 WE REQUEST TO SEE IT. IF IT IS NOT, THE CERTIFICATION OF THE
10 TABULATION SYSTEM IS IN QUESTION. THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CARLOS MARROQUIN, LUIS GARCIA, RYAN
13 ROSTINE.

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15 **CARLOS MARROQUIN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. I KNOW THAT
16 WE'VE BEEN BRINGING THIS ISSUE TO YOU MULTIPLE TIMES, ACTUALLY
17 30 DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION, AND EVERYTHING THAT WE WARNED
18 THAT WAS TO HAPPEN HAPPENED. AND WE STILL HAVE NO ANSWERS FROM
19 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS TO WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO
20 REGARDING THE ISSUES THAT WE BROUGHT BEFORE YOU. WE'RE TALKING
21 ABOUT MASSIVE VOTER SUPPRESSION THAT WE BELIEVE HAPPENED HERE
22 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I THINK IT DESERVES TO BE
23 INVESTIGATED. I THINK IT HAS TO BE INVESTIGATED FROM AN
24 OUTSIDE PARTY. AND WE URGE YOU TO PLEASE LOOK INTO THIS,
25 BECAUSE THE MESSAGE THAT WE'RE SENDING TO VOTERS IS A PRETTY



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1 STRONG MESSAGE THAT, AGAIN, VOTES NEED TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY.
2 AND I HOPE THAT THAT'S YOUR POSITION. I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE
3 SAID THAT YOU TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY, SO WE EXPECT THAT TO BE THE
4 CASE. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

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8 **RYAN ROSTINE:** HI. I'M RYAN ROSTINE. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. I
9 AM ALSO HERE TODAY TO CALL FOR AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION ON
10 THE ELECTION RESULTS. APPARENTLY THAT SHIP SAILED THIS
11 AFTERNOON, BUT I DO WANT TO ALSO SUGGEST JUST LIKE WE HAVE
12 LIKE A WATER QUALITY REPORT, HOW ABOUT AN ELECTION INTEGRITY
13 REPORT? IT COULD INCLUDE VOTE TALLIES, PARTICIPATION RATES,
14 TYPES OF BALLOTS CAST, BALLOTS REJECTED, TYPES OF BALLOTS
15 REJECTED, CHANGES IN PARTY AFFILIATION, MACHINE AUDIT DATA,
16 VOTING MECHANISMS EMPLOYED AND USED AND HOW WELL VOTERS
17 UNDERSTAND THE VOTING RULES AND REGULATIONS, ALSO HOW WELL THE
18 POLL WORKERS -- MAYBE THEY HAVE A COMPREHENSION TEST AND WE
19 COULD SEE THE RESULTS OF THE COMPREHENSION OF THE RULES,
20 BECAUSE THAT WAS AN APPARENT PROBLEM. ALSO, MAYBE SOME EXIT
21 POLL DATA SO WE COULD SEE SOME COMPARISON. AND, YOU KNOW, WHEN
22 OUR VOTES ARE A MAIN MEANS OF ACCOUNTABILITY, IT'S IMPORTANT
23 THAT WE HAVE THAT INFORMATION READILY AVAILABLE. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** LUIS GARCIA, ROSHAN AKULA, DEVIN
2 LARSON, UNA JOST. GO AHEAD. YOUR NAME? SIR?

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4 **DEVIN LARSON:** DEVIN LARSON. I ACTUALLY AM HERE JUST TO FINISH
5 UP A THOUGHT I HAD EARLIER. DR. WILLIAMS, I BELIEVE IT WAS,
6 WAS THE PERSON THAT SAID, "WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT THIS NOW?
7 WHY HAVEN'T WE SAID ANYTHING EARLIER?" A LOT LIKE THE
8 SHOPLIFTER AT A STORE WHEN HE'S STEALING AN ITEM, YOU CAN'T
9 SAY, "OH, WELL, A PREVIOUS SHOPLIFTER GOT AWAY. YOU CAN GET
10 AWAY WITH A CRIME NOW." SO, I ASKED THAT PEOPLE, IF THEY ARE
11 SUSPECTING ELECTORAL FRAUD OR ELECTORAL INTEGRITY TO BE IN
12 QUESTION, THAT YOU PLEASE INVESTIGATE IT. I KNOW YOU GUYS HAVE
13 TAKEN THE DECISION TO GO AHEAD AND CERTIFY THE RESULTS, BUT I
14 ASK THAT YOU GUYS RECONSIDER YOUR DECISION OR AT LEAST HAVE AN
15 INDEPENDENT BOARD OF REVIEW FOR ELECTIONS FROM HERE ON OUT,
16 AND ALSO IF YOU GUYS CAN HAVE A CLEAR PLAN OF SOLUTIONS FOR
17 THE ELECTION, BECAUSE SO FAR WE HAD DEAN LOGAN UP HERE SAY
18 FOUR WEEKS, AND WHEN ASKED IF THAT WAS A GUARANTEED DATE OR
19 ANYTHING ALONG THOSE LINES, HE SAID THAT IT WAS A MAYBE. THERE
20 REALLY WASN'T ANY CERTAINTY THAT WE COULD GET FOUR WEEKS,
21 EVEN. SO THE QUESTION IS, IS HOW LONG DO THEY NEED IN ORDER TO
22 SEND OUT BALLOTS, AND WHAT WILL YOU GUYS ACTUALLY DO TO GET
23 THIS DONE?

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, SIR.



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2 **ROSHAN AKULA:** OKAY. I'VE BEEN CALLED BACK HERE, BECAUSE I'VE
3 BEEN HEARING THAT --

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT IS YOUR NAME, SIR?

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7 **ROSHAN AKULA:** MY NAME IS ROSHAN AKULA. I HAVE BEEN CALLED BACK
8 HERE, BECAUSE I HAVE HEARD THAT THE ELECTION WAS NOT CERTIFIED
9 AND I WANT TO MAKE WAS CERTIFIED, AND THE VOTES MAY NOT HAVE
10 BEEN ALL COUNTED. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS ELECTION IS
11 FAIR, BECAUSE I READ THAT WE AS A NATION HAVE NOT BEEN DOING
12 OUR JOB COMPARED TO OTHER NATIONS. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
13 WE AS A NATION SHOW THAT WE HAVE THE TRUE DEMOCRACY IDEALS,
14 THAT ALL OUR VOTES ARE COUNTED AND ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE SO
15 THAT THE PEOPLE, WE THE PEOPLE, HAVE A SAY IN WHO OUR ELECTED
16 OFFICIALS ARE ALL THE TIME.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MA'AM?

19

20 **UNA JOST:** I'D LIKE TO REQUEST A FULL THREE MINUTES, PLEASE. IS
21 THAT PERMISSIBLE?

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO. WE'VE DONE ONE. WE'VE HAD SO MANY
24 SPEAKERS HERE TODAY. IF YOU WANT TO SUBMIT SOMETHING, THAT'S
25 FINE, BUT YOU HAVE A MINUTE. GO AHEAD.



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2 **UNA JOST:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. UNA JOST SPEAKING. GOOD AFTERNOON,
3 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR HEARING OUR CONCERNS TODAY. I'M
4 SPEAKING HERE TODAY AS A RESIDENT OF PASADENA AND A VOLUNTEER
5 ATTORNEY WITH ELECTION JUSTICE U.S.A., A NATIONAL COALITION OF
6 LAWYERS, VOTER SUPPRESSION EXPERTS, AND CITIZEN COMMUNITY
7 ADVOCATES. I'VE ALREADY SUBMITTED A LETTER TO THE BOARD, WHICH
8 I'M REQUESTING TO BE MADE PART OF THE RECORD AT THIS MEETING,
9 AND WHEN I'M SHARING SUPPLEMENTS, MY LETTER TO YOU. I
10 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE BOARD STAY THE COUNTY REGISTRAR
11 CERTIFICATION ELECTION RESULTS UNTIL THE REGISTRAR IS IN FULL
12 COMPLIANCE WITH CALIFORNIA'S CONSTITUTION AND ELECTIONS CODE
13 PROTECTING YOUR CONSTITUENTS' RIGHT TO VOTE. TO ENSURE THE
14 INTEGRITY OF CALIFORNIA'S ELECTIONS AND PROTECT VOTERS RIGHTS,
15 ELECTIONS CODE SECTIONS 336.5 AND 15360 SET FORTH POST-
16 ELECTION MANUAL-COUNT AUDITING REQUIREMENTS, WHICH REQUIRES
17 ALL COUNTIES TO CONDUCT A 1-PERCENT MANUAL TALLY OF ALL
18 BALLOTS TABULATED USING AN ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM IN ORDER
19 TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF THE AUTOMATED ACCOUNTS.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU CAN SUBMIT WHATEVER PAPERWORK YOU
22 HAVE.

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1 **UNA JOST:** SURE. I HAVE. AND I HAVE AN EXTRA COPY HERE. SO, I
2 DO HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU CONSIDER AND TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT
3 WHAT'S WRITTEN THERE.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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7 **LUIS GARCIA:** GOOD EVENING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS
8 LUIS GARCIA IVENS. IT LOOKS LIKE LAST BUT NOT LEAST. AS A
9 MEMBER OF -- A FIRST DISTRICT RESIDENT AND MEMBER OF THE
10 MEXICAN-AMERICAN, PRIOR-SOVEREIGN, INDIGENOUSLY SENT U.S.
11 CITIZENS, WE ARE VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT THIS BOARD HAS
12 RATIFIED OR CERTIFIED THIS ELECTION. I THINK IT WAS PREMATURE,
13 AND AS THE ATTORNEY JUST SAID, DEAN LOGAN NEEDS TO BE FIRED.
14 HE'S AN APPOINTED EMPLOYEE OF YOURS. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST
15 YEAR THAT HE'S HAD PROBLEMS. HE'S MESSED UP OTHER ELECTIONS,
16 AND WE NEED FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP TO DO SOMETHING TO GIVE
17 CONFIDENCE TO THE VOTERS THAT WE CAN HAVE A CLEAN ELECTION.
18 THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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22 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, THERE'S A REQUEST
23 BEFORE YOU TO CONTINUE CLOSED-SESSION ITEMS NO. 1, 2, AND 3
24 FOR ONE WEEK TO JULY 12TH.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GOOD EVENING.

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